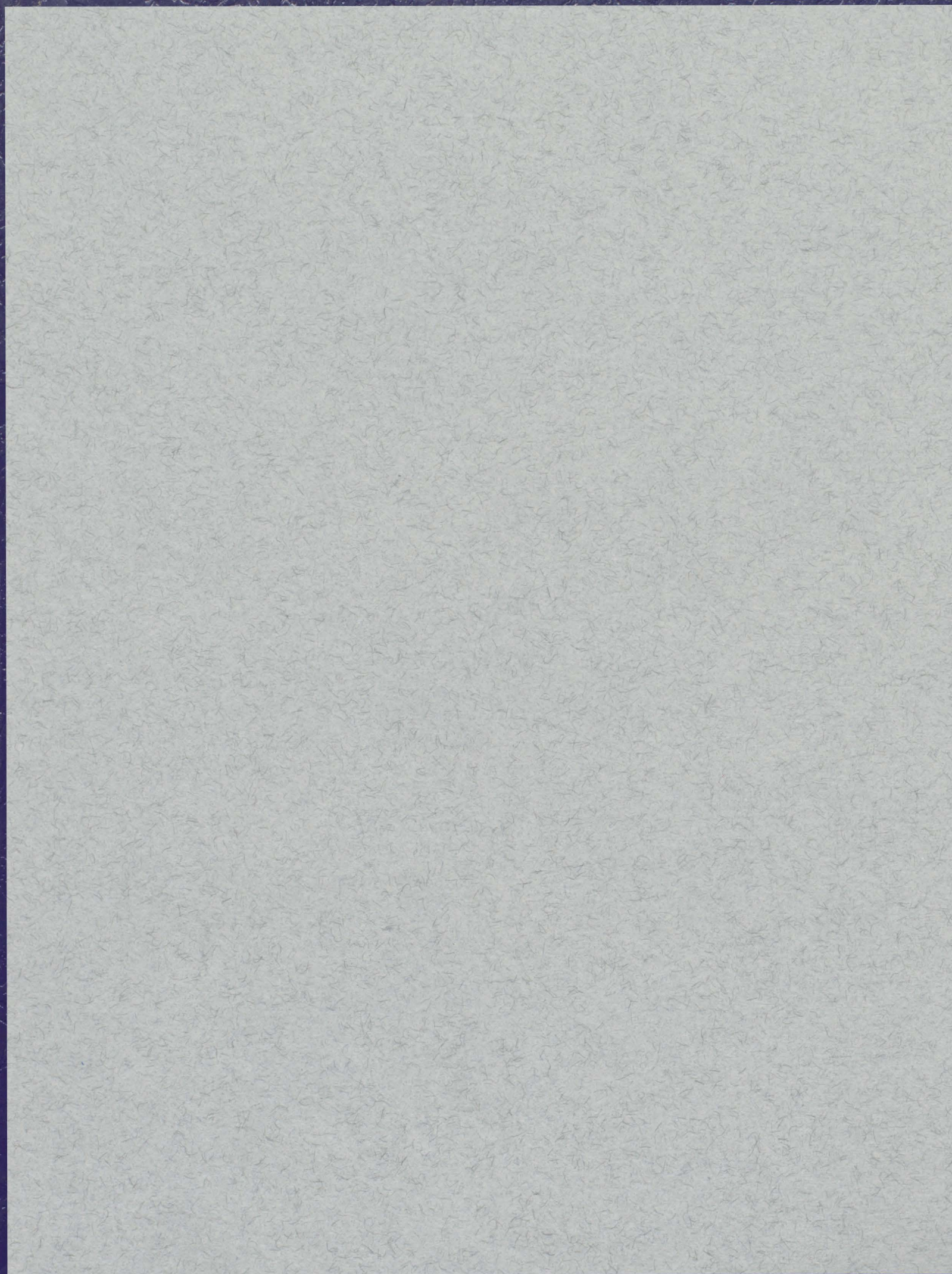


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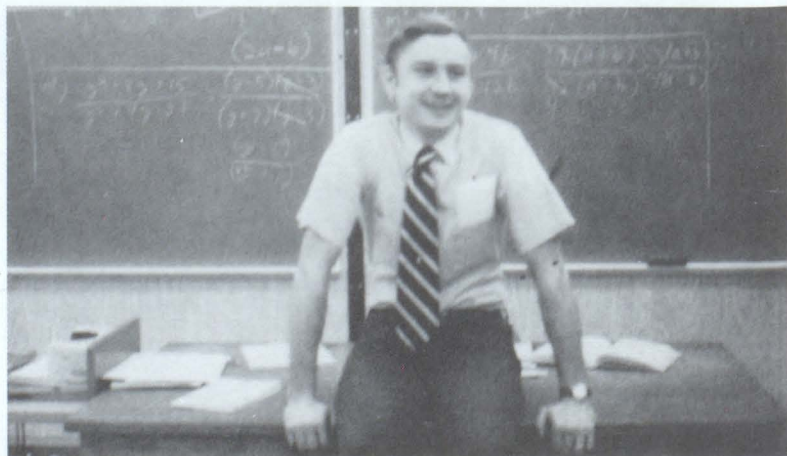
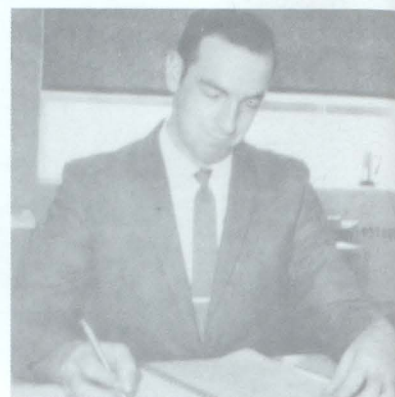
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Looking Forward to Retirement

After a combination of nearly 90 years of dedication and service, Mr. Les Barnes, Mr. Bob Tharrett, and Mr. Dan Watson have decided to exchange their enthusiasm for education for a life of leisure and the pursuit of other interests. Each of these men have used their life experiences to enhance their teaching techniques. Through their high personal and professional standards they have challenged their students to strive for excellence. Their primary concern has always been the educational welfare of their students.

The students and staff of SCHS dedicate the 1997-98 yearbook to these superior teachers. Their devotion and expertise will always be remembered and greatly missed.



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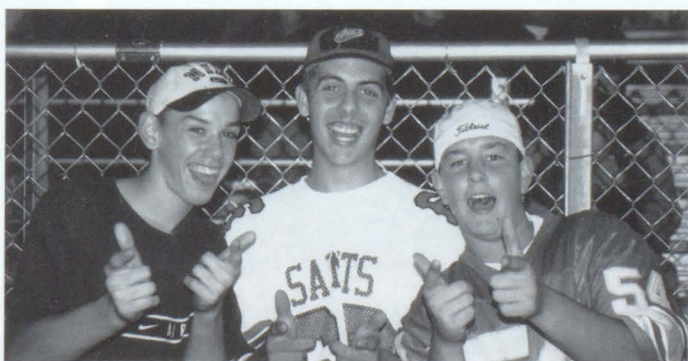
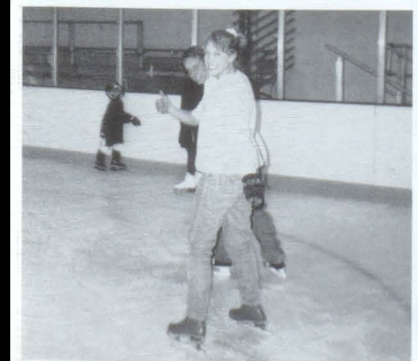
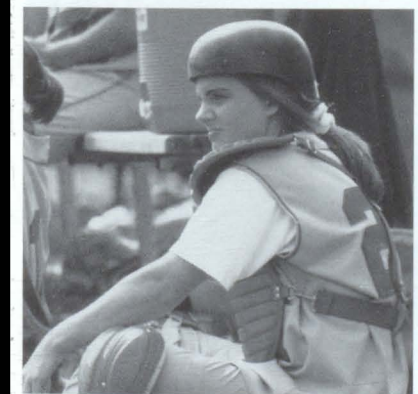
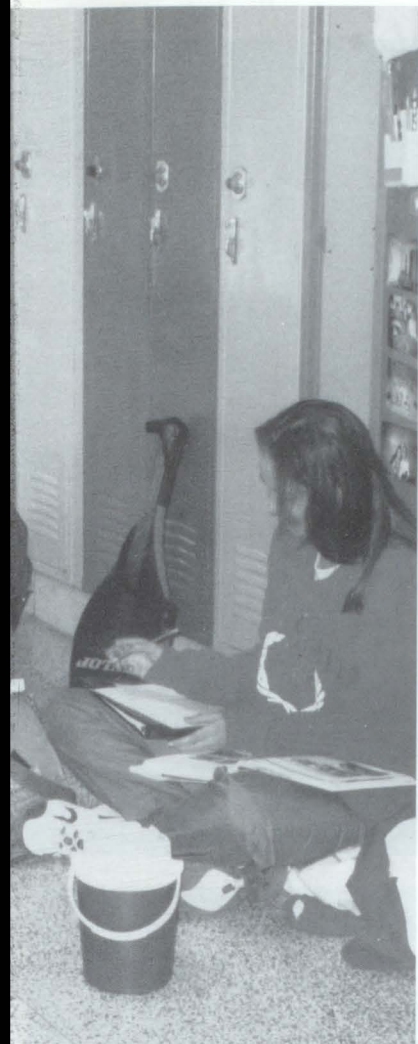
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student life

The life of a student is full of moping mornings and many sleepless nights. With so many responsibilities, the hassle of getting ready for the day is a tedious one. After hours of late night homework and minutes of digging through the mess in your bedroom to find something to wear, you are finally ready for your day.

Whether it is flying to school in your car and bouncing through the pit, or thumping down the road in the cheesewagon with your bag on your lap, we all have different ways of getting to school. Once here, students find themselves pushing through the crowded halls, huddled in a "homework circle" at their lockers, coping with random room temperatures throughout the school, and rolling dice for seats in the cafeteria.

The life of a SCHS student hardly ends at 2:25. Many students can be found either kicking a ball, swimming a stroke, playing an instrument, or having a meeting both before and after school. One thing is certain, the bells (when working) only govern us through a small portion of the day.



looking forward to vacation

The remembrance of summer lingers on in many of the thoughts of SCHS students. The aroma of the fresh, sun drenched atmosphere and cool crisp nights bring back many memories of joy, emotional settings and sunburns.

While more than half of our student body worked a majority of their summer away, a few students found the time to enjoy themselves, kick back, and have a coke.

Many of our athletic teams spent the summer working on their skills at a variety of camps. Organizations, such as Student Council and National Honor Society, held retreats at various locations throughout the state in order to improve their leadership abilities.

Soon enough, the lazy, sunny afternoons with warm temperatures, relaxing with a cold drink, started to wind down and fade away. The

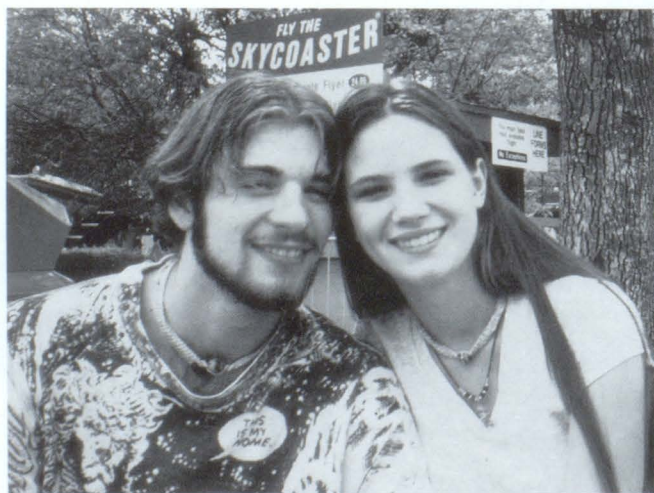
hussle and bussle of school activities, after school jobs, and homework took the place of tanning in the sun and staying out all hours of the night.

As many high school students take on new academic and personal responsibilities, most of us find ourselves completely stressed out and letting our everyday lives get out of hand. The combination of sitting through lectures, studying, and possibly working, causes headaches just thinking about it.

Although, in some weird way, we enjoy these incredibly chaotic situations, we will continue to long for the days of summer past. No matter how much we enjoy being with all of our friends during the school year, the days of summer will always be the ones that we enjoy the most.



"How's the water?" asks Heather Blake before jumping in the pool.



After going on rides, Mike Barker and Jaime Cunningham take a break on a park bench.

In an attempt to get away from education, Mr. Rose encounters a school of another kind.





While in Haiti, Bobbi Jo Porter lends a hand to needy children.



Reilly Pauly, Melanie Biscarner, Jenni Pauly, Laura Keeley and Dana Mihelic show off their banner and trophies.



“What’s the most exciting thing you did this summer?”

“Went to Cedar Point.”	“Remodeled my grandma’s toupe.”
“Getting 36 stitches after getting run over by a siberian tiger at the SanDiego Zoo.”	“Went to Panama City Beach.”
“Checked out hot guys on the beach in Mexico.”	“Went to the moon.”
“Hit a dump truck.”	“Playing in the Gus Macker in Saginaw.”
“Knocked over porta johns with my truck.”	“Participating in a demolition derby.”
	“Sleeping in.”

Matt Karas and Branden Hill jam in the cafeteria for multi-cultural day.



Mr. Miller and Mr. Rose proclaim their holiday spirit.



What was your favorite spirit day activity that took place this year?

"The longest fingernails dutch auction, because I won."

"The 80's music was cool."

"The pie eating contest was awesome!"

"I liked the pep rally in town for homecoming, it got really messy."

"Karaoke was the highlight of Winterfest lunch activities."

"The koosh ball thing, because I got to keep them."



looking



pumped up



Whether it is sliding through snow storms to get to basketball games, or huddling on the stadium bleachers during the 4th quarter when the concession stand is out of hot chocolate, St. Clair fans find many ways to show they are dedicated to their teams and full of spirit.

It's the middle of March. An unexpected storm has come and blanketed the area of Cros Lex, Michigan with several inches of snow. You would imagine that most people would opt to stay home and sleep, but St. Clair Basketball fans made the long trek up, and the even longer trek back on the night of district finals.

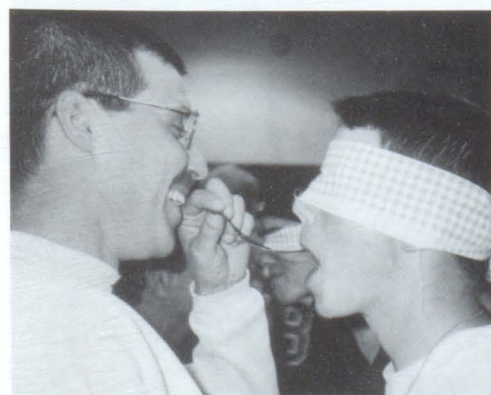
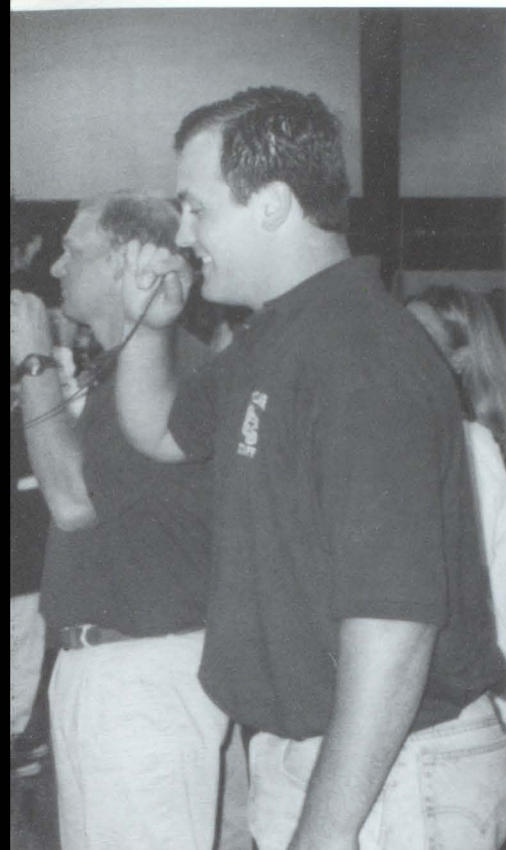
One of the first expressions of school spirit comes at the beginning of the year with homecoming festivities. After hearing loud music at lunch, participating in Dutch auctions and racing against other classes in the pep assembly, students get

fired up for the big football game and the formal dance that follows the next night.

The cheerleaders play a large role in the development of spirit. Throughout the year, they have been the ones making noisemakers for games, cheering for girls basketball when the pressure was on, and recovering the old uniforms under the stage for our fans to flaunt at districts.

Students also witnessed an increase in Winterfest activities. They plastered holographic lip stickers on each other, sported the ever popular Burger King crowns, and ate jelly beans during the spirit days. Student council also organized a much improved dance that followed the fairy tale theme.

With continuing support from the energetic people in our school, and good examples being set for the incoming freshmen, school spirit is sure to continue rising.



Jonathan Seals unknowingly eats his way to the lovely Mr. Rutledge.

Braving the snow, St. Clair fans show support for the Saints at basketball districts.



The always spirited Ray Jenks cheers on the basketball team.

Looking tropical

Homecoming festivities were kicked off with the court assembly where the Class Representatives and Senior Court members were announced. This took place in a Hawaiian crowning ceremony where each class represented one of the Hawaiian Islands.

Class competitions began Friday night with the twenty-four hour float parties. "Constructing the float in twenty-four hours straight was a good way for our class to come together," commented senior Amanda Wright. The Class of '98's gigantic blow fish blew the underclassmen away for the second year in a row.

Sunday afternoon was a perfect day for the annual Powder Puff football game. The warm weather and sunny skies brought out the fans and put everyone in good spirits, especially the Seniors who were

victorious over the Juniors with a score of 12-2.

During the week, spirit days and dutch auctions were held. The student body was seen in colored leis, tropical tatoos, and Hawaiian shirts. The Freshmen class proved to be the most spirited by winning the overall class competition.

By Friday afternoon, the halls of SCHS were overflowing with school spirit and anticipation of the coming events. At the pep assembly, the Varsity Cheerleaders, along with the help from some of the Varsity Football players, performed a dance to a mix of tropical music. A limbo contest and a scooter race were other highlights of the afternoon. Thanks to many hours of hard work from Student Council and spirit from the students, this year's Homecoming was a great success. Aloha!!



Junior Jenny Schulte and freshman Katie Kulczewski enjoy one of the messy moments of the pep rally.



Freshmen Crystal Kerszykowski, Jonathan Seals, Beth Szymanski, Katie Daniels, Kara Leverence, and Katie Lickwala gather for a picture at the community pep rally.

How low can you go? Jeanne Likins can obviously go pretty low.





At a varsity football game, S. Young, C. Fasbender, M. Rybinski, S. McGuire and A. Westrick huddle to stay warm.



Hiding under the senior float, Hillary Jennings dozes off for a short nap.

Searching through the whip cream, Mr. LaClear and Miss Famiano lick for jolly ranchers.



What is the worst thing that has ever happened to you while on vacation?

"I sat down in dog poop at the beach."	"Our hotel room was infested with roaches."
"Someone keyed my truck while I was gone."	"I fell off my tube on a huge slide and got stuck."
"I was in a porta-john, and someone knocked it over."	"My parents decided to come with me."
"We missed our flight and the airline didn't refund our money."	"I ran out of money half way through the trip."

looking

★ fancy & fine ★

As homecoming approached, excitement was rising for the majority of the student body. What will I wear? Who will I go with? Where should we eat? These were a few of the questions frequently heard throughout the halls. Once these major decisions were made, it was time to buy tickets. This was a huge hassle for most, seeing that almost everyone waited until the last minute. Lines were horrendous.

Students chose a tropical theme for this year's festivities. Throughout the week the theme was carried out well. The week ended with a "cruise" on Saturday night. As students entered through the pool hall doorway, a transformed school fell before their eyes. The hall had been converted to a deck along side of a

cruise ship, the cafeteria was a dining room on the ship, and the gym a tropical island. The island featured palm trees a crystal blue, sparkling, waterfall and a volcano erupting with lava. "The decorations were great, it really made you feel like you were in a tropical paradise," commented Alan Bremerkamp enthusiastically.

As the night progressed, students became weary, hair fell, jackets, ties and shoes came off, and gold fish disappeared. Students could be found lounging on beach chairs or enjoying complementary pop and fruit in the "dining room." Soon the hour became late, the crowd started to dwindle, the gym lights came on and the students of SCHS returned to reality in hopes of a night as awesome as this one again next year.



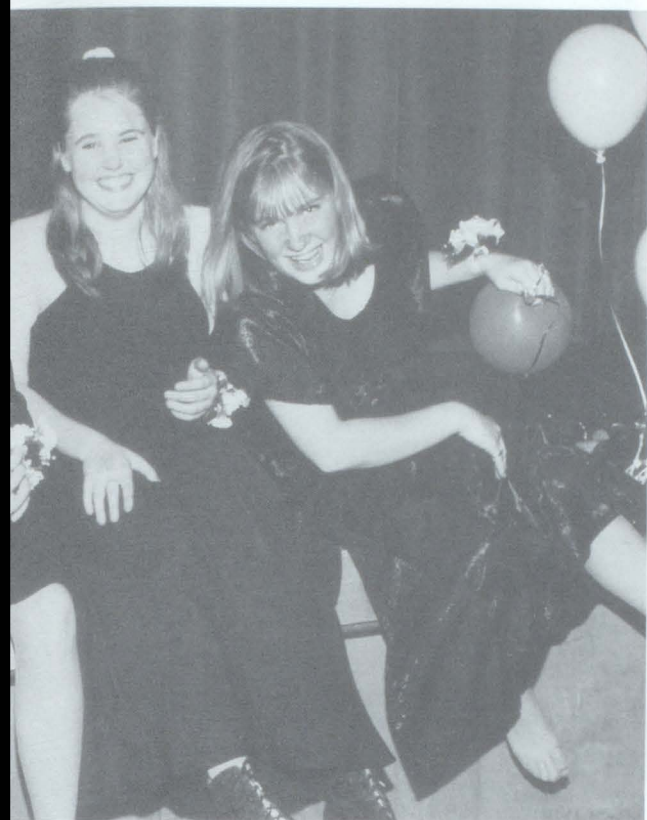
Taking a breather, Ryan Biewer stretches out in a lounge chair.



Gretchen Heinrich, Colleen Card and Kelly Langmesser are naive to the fact that they are getting bunny ears from Tara Newsome.

Tired out after a long night of dancing, Carmen Spitale, Marjory Hool and Eric Clark take a moment to rest.





As the dance rages on, Don Spencer, Tanya Gates, and Mandy Ross take a break for a quick drink.

"Peace" from Kristy Liebetreu.



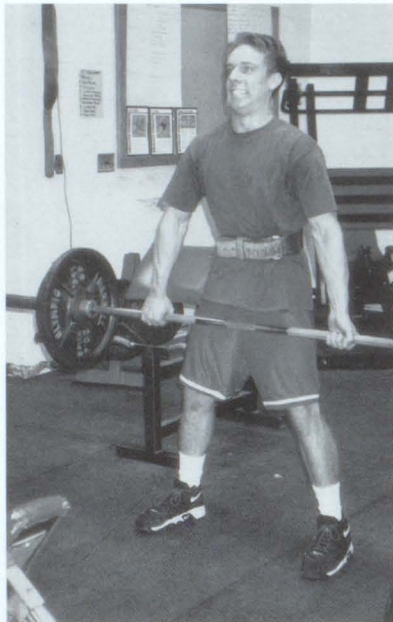
As the lights come on, Nicole Riedel, Jeani Westrick, Tina Brunhuber, and Molly Holm gather for a photo after their last homecoming.



Before school C. Basney, A. Malinaro, J. Sargent, A. Cramer, and C. Emerich enjoy doughnuts and pop.

At an early morning NHS meeting Scott Brown, Keith Philliben, and Pete McDonell scan college brochures.

Toning his buns, Steve Vogel does his early morning squats.



What is the first thing you do when you get to school?

"Fix my hair."	"Nothing, I'm a TA."
"Sit in my truck for 20 minutes."	"Cut bagels."
"Get a doughnut."	"Buy a pop."
"Brush my teeth."	"Answer the attendance phone."
"Work out on the Super Cat."	"See if I have a sub today."
"Do my homework."	"The Mr. Fox/Mr. Monte workout."
"Take a nap."	"Do Doughnuts in the pit."
"Play with my secret friend, Binky Louise the third."	"Hide in my locker."
"Ask 'Where's Mr. Miller?'"	



looking



drowsy



It's quiet, the only sound you hear is the soft murmur of water running in one of the bathrooms. There are only a handful of people in the halls. You can walk straight to your locker without bumping into anyone. Believe it or not you are in SCHS. However, only a few people have experienced this strange phenomenon. These people are our "earlybirds". They arrive at school between 6:30 and 7:15 a.m. These people have only a few short minutes to enjoy their peaceful solitude before the clock hands reach 7:40 and the halls buzz like a swarm of angry bees.

The reasons for arriving early range from getting a parking spot to organizing the day's schedule. "When I was little I had to get up between 4 and 5 every morning to clean my parent's barn. Now it's

a habit for me," teacher Bill Cedar said. Many people come early to finish homework due that day.

Others come to make up tests or for class help. Marcy Unruh, a junior, explains what she does until the bell rings, "I talk with my friends while hanging out at my locker and eat doughnuts." Most teachers agree with Mr. Watson's reasons for arriving early. "I like to get organized before class starts so I am not wasting the students time." Mrs. Zoeplitz, Mrs. Mead, and Mrs. Durham, familiar faces in the offices, all agree that, "The earlier we arrive, the earlier we can leave!"

Whether it's because of job responsibilities or parking spots, people are here before the sun comes up and ready to start the day. As they say, "The early bird catches the worm!"



Seniors Dawn Hardy and Amy Fandrick make finishing touches on last night's homework.



Brian Stein and Edgar Valasco ask each other "Why did I come so early?"

Dan Shirkey waits patiently while Mr. Eberhard puts the finishing touches on his costume.



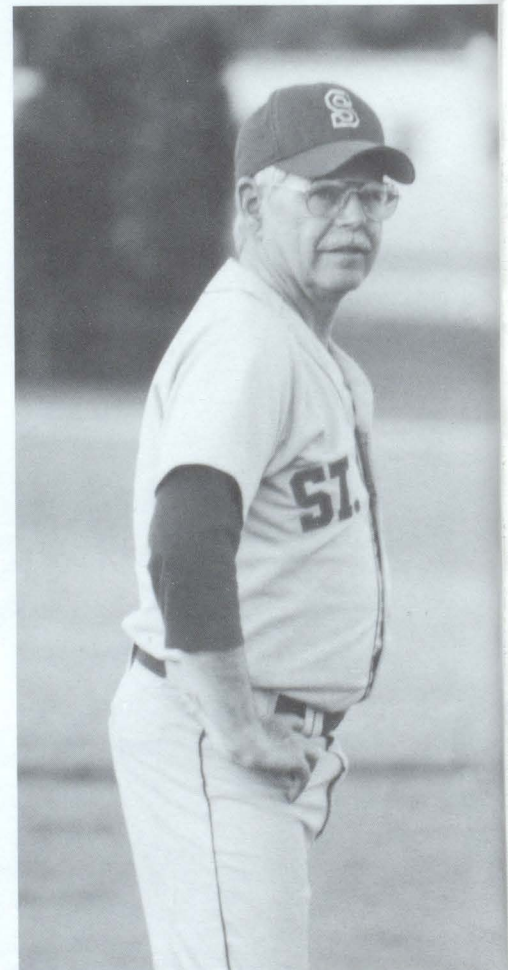
Where did our teachers go to college?

WSU	11	WMU	1
CMU	8	Youngstown	1
EMU	6	Iowa	1
MSU	6	Adrian	1
U of M	5	Colorado	1
Oakland	3	Nazareth	1
FSU	2		



What was your first job before you became a teacher?

Assembly line at Chrysler - Mr. Stevenson	Cleaning horse stalls at a stable - Mr. Rutledge
Cashier at McDonalds - Mrs. Meier	Stock boy at St. Clair IGA - Mr. Cedar
Secretary at Northville State Mental Hospital - Mrs. Zydek	Life guard - Ms. Mihaiu
Arby's for one day - Ms. Jones	Stroh's Ice Cream - Mrs. Higgins



Coaching baseball is one of the after school activities Mr. Mallwitz enjoys.



looking

beyond
school



Teachers and lives do not go together. While many students rush home to their families, friends, and their after school activities, teachers spend many grueling hours correcting, sorting, and planning for the next day. Many people do not understand the time and effort that teachers put into their jobs. Teaching kids is not an easy task when you consider the large amount of work and little respect that they get from students. If you plan on going into the field of education our teachers have offered the following advice.

"Only you can define the importance and value of what you do."

-Mr. Fouchey

"Do you have a history of high blood pressure?"

-Mrs. Derrow

"Don't, it's too much work. Your time is never your own. You always have the work to worry about. Most of all, teachers are not respected like they used to be by society."

-Mrs. Matthys

"Go to EMU, Central, or Western. Don't waste your college money. Study - Don't party. If you need to grow up first, try an

armed service or the Peace Corps."

- Ms. Mihaiu

"Watch your favorite or not so favorite teachers now. Observe how they present their material and handle classroom disruptions."

-Ms. Schweihofer

"Be realistic. There is more work involved than you see from a student's perspective."

-Mr. Eberhard

"Make sure that it is really what you want to do. Teaching is a profession that takes real dedication and commitment."

-Mrs. Kandler

How do you spend your
time after 2:25?

Reading, theater, and travel.
- Mr. Barnes

I tear it up in the women's
recreation basketball league.
- Ms. Famino

Go to my other jobs: wife,
mother, and taxi cab driver.
- Mrs. Matthys



Three's Company on the football field for Mr. LaClear, Mr. Warner, and Mr. Motte.



Mr. Fox takes a break from teaching and catches up on the news.

standing

back to back



Efforts to relieve the overcrowding in both our high school, and middle school, fell short again last year. The second bond issue in two years for East China was voted down in March. The result, our very crowded high school.

This year we have all been affected by the large number of students in our small school. Each of us have experienced the pushing and shoving in the hallways, being thrown into a locker or being caught behind someone who walks slowly, wishing they would pick up pace.

Along with the full hallways, there is the "Pit". The "Pit" is a large, muddy, pothole-ridden parking lot, where no one likes to park. Everytime I pull into the lot with my car, the blue bomber, I bottom out," laughed Monique Lemon. Anyone who wants to avoid the mess, and park in one of few paved spaces, has to arrive at school 45 minutes before the bell. Unfortunately this

prized spot is usually surrendered to someone who steals it during lunch.

Another area of overcrowdedness, and one that has caused the most distress and confusion, was having the introduction of Red and Blue lunches. When Bonnie Kalmar was asked which lunch she preferred, the Red/Blue format or the traditional two lunches, she replied with excitement, "Having Red/Blue of course, so I can go out with all my friends and we are not split up anymore."

Not everyone has a positive attitude about the lunches being changed. "It stinks when you have to sit on the stage to eat, I'd much rather sit down in the cafeteria at a regular table," commented Amanda Johnson. One thing everyone can agree on, is the popularity of getting out of third hour ten minutes early, every other week. Mark Thoel said, "Missing ten minutes of Algebra II for a week is the best part of my day. I just hate it when we have to make the time up the following week."

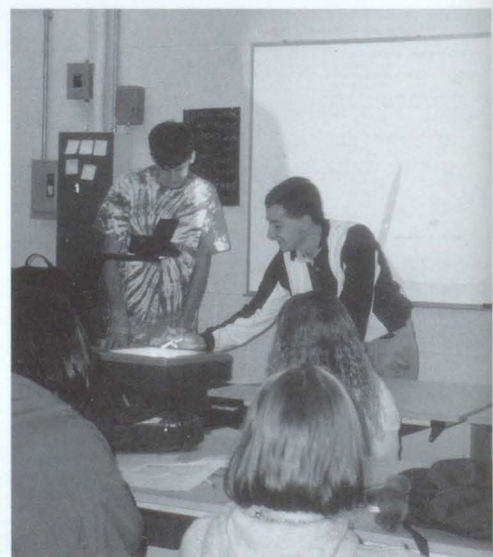


Quickly, Tony Stewart and Matt Arnold leave a portable to beat the crowd.



Not enough room at the tables, the stage was the last resort for Kyle Estrada, Drew Denley, and Casey Huber.

Crowded in the band room, Sarah VanPelt, Paul Lindsay, and Rachel Wilkerson are forced to share a stand.





"Cart teacher," Ms DeLuge teaches her english class in front of her cart.



Tricia Runge and Meghan Moore squeeze onto a heater and enjoy their lunch.



"What do you like most about the portables?"

"It's quiet taking tests."

"Air-conditioning!"

"Interesting table carvings."

"Snowball fights between classes."

"Lots of room."

"Walking out of the nice warm school into the freezing cold."

"Being able to turn the heat up or down and feeling it right away."

"My car is close."

"They are 27 miles away."

"There's always a chance someone will tow them away."

"Pencils stick in the ceiling."

"They rock back and forth."

"Nothing, I hate it."

"They smell funny."

"Mr. LaClear."

Crowdedness 19

Assistance from John Effert enables Laine Fraley to make her way between classes.



Becky Wassman has her ankle wrapped to prevent injury.

Decorated crutches help Sheila McGuire dress up her injury.



What is the most embarrassing way you have ever hurt yourself?

"I fell down the steps at my boyfriend's house and broke my arm."

"We were chasing a hottie on rollerblades and I fell and took ten layers off my leg."

"My mom bumped into a light pole and the airbags smacked me in the face."

"I rolled off the back of our float at the homecoming parade."

"I was skating at the harbor and slid down the boat ramp."

"I was walking down the hall and a ceiling tile fell on me."

back on

crutches



At times it seemed that this year's new fashion trends included a pair of crutches, casts, and stitches. Injuries seemed to be at an all-time high this year, whether sports related or simply caused by clumsiness.

The majority of the injuries were, however, sports related. Junior T.J. Shine injured his knee over the summer while playing basketball. This was not the first time T.J. has had knee problems. He ended up having to have orthoscopic surgery that resulted in his losing two months of football season and half of basketball season.

When Ryan Biewer hit the floor during an aggressive and not so sportsmanlike game against Marysville, many fans were concerned when he did not get up right away. Luckily, he walked away with only a black eye and a few stitches.

A handful of the injuries were not sports related and can be attributed to freak accidents and carelessness. While horse-playing in the stands at the Homecoming game, Shelia McGuire twisted her ankle. "I was really sorry after I hurt my ankle. The dance was the next day, and I had to have my foot wrapped. The bandage didn't quite match my dress, but I made the best of it."

Students weren't the only ones who suffered from mishaps this year. Miss Jones showed up to school one Monday morning on crutches. She had torn ligaments in her ankle when she fell in her apartment. She stated, "Crutches were not conducive to my busy schedule. Fortunately, many people were willing to help."

Hopefully, these injuries did not keep their recipients down for too long.



Don Whittaker has his knee examined by team physicians at Warren Fitzgerald.



Sporting a shiner and six stitches, Ryan Biewer recovers from an elbow to the eye.

Looking to travel

As the weather gets warmer, students start to think about spring, more specifically...Spring Break! The countless hours of working to earn travel money, numerous tanning appointments and endless hours of packing are finally going to pay off.

Seniors counted down the days until they could finally depart for their destinations. "I've been counting the days since September," commented Nicole Riedel before she left for Panama City Beach, Florida. To think of an entire week without parents, teachers or any responsibilities, is a thought that intrigues most teenagers and worries most adults.

While many seniors were experiencing different parts of our country, French and Spanish students had the opportunity to travel abroad. Being in foreign country for nine days allowed these students to practice using their language skills while experiencing the cultures first hand.

While in Mexico, students were surprised and appalled by the sights that they saw. Their visit to Mexico City shocked them the most. "The pollution in Mexico City made me see how fortunate we are in the United States," explained Jesse Parker. Their visit to the pyramids of the sun and moon was awe inspiring. Few of the students made the climb to the top due to the awesome heights.

French students had the opportunity to see many historical sights including the Louvre, Notre Dame, the Arc de Triumph, and the Eiffel Tower. "Our trip to France was the trip of a lifetime. It was fantastic to experience a different culture," explained Brant Herzer.

Whether in Florida, France or good old St. Clair, Spring Break is a time looked forward to and enjoyed by all.



Mandy Shurkey and Rachel Ernst are excited about their trip to Hard Rock Cafe in Murtle Beach.



While on their trip to Mexico, the Spanish III and IV students stop and enjoy the scenery.





After a refreshing swim in the ocean, Brian Psciuk crawls out of the water.



After a long day in the sun, Aaron Ross and Steve Freeland relax in their hotel room.



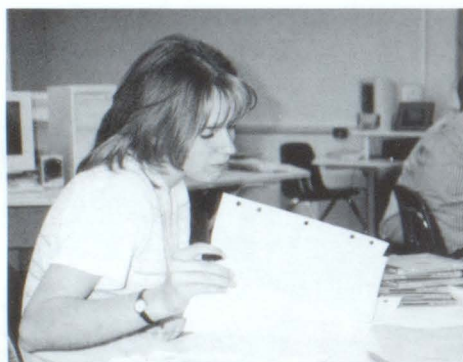
What is the most interesting thing you saw while on spring break?

"People that don't live in St. Clair!"	"Body piercings in very interesting places."
"People paying \$60 an hour to rent Jet Ski's."	"Water that was warm and clean."
"Spandex stretching like it's never stretched before."	"Seeing the Eifel Tower and going to the top."

Enjoying African American day Jeanne Likins, Nicole Riedel, and Mr. Rose shake it up at lunch.



While zooming down the hallway, Welly takes time out for a picture.



What was the best thing about multi-cultural month?

"The different food in the cafeteria."

"The steel-drum band was pretty sweet."

"Learning about other people's way of life."

"Sitting in algebra for an extra ten minutes on early lunch week."

"I liked the story teller at lunch."

"It's good to know about other cultures when going out into the work force."

"I got to play in the band."

"For once I didn't eat lunch from Taco Bell."

"Mrs. Ratliff."

Special friends show their gratitude to their SCHS friends.



100% what's going on



This year SCHS piloted many new exciting activities and organizations.

The Community Service Program sponsored a food drive and also participated in the March of Dimes. Mrs. Higgins described the program as, "An excellent way for all students to be involved. The only prerequisite is to care about people."

A school newspaper, *The Sentinel*, was reestablished this year and has covered all school activities and allowed the students to have a voice within the school. Advisors Mr. Warner and Mr. LaClear have guided a new staff through the process of producing a newspaper while offering the student body monthly leisurely reading.

The Special Friends and Multi-Cultural Month programs originated in order to raise our awareness of other cultures. A survey found that students needed to become more

aware about people with disabilities as well as people from different ethnic groups. Each first hour class had a "special friend" from Woodlands Living Center who they would communicate with in order to learn more about their lives. Our friends were able to visit SCHS in May to finally meet their pen pals.

Finally, Mr. Covington sponsored the first ever Science Olympiad team at SCHS. Students interested in the field of science competed in a tournament where they take on science related challenges ranging from building bridges to questions about physics. The team competed exceptionally well and were able to defeat established teams like Port Huron High School.

These programs and organizations have been developed to enhance the curriculum at SCHS and to teach students how to become involved in the community and to make a difference in the lives of others.



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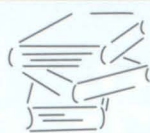
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Writers Kara McWain and Vanessa Bushay work diligently to create another great issue of the *Sentinel*.

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answer



Homework is a major part of every student's life at St. Clair High School. All students, from Freshmen to Seniors, average an hour of homework a night.

Most students choose to do their homework at home, but some come to school early to cram an hour of homework into 20 minutes before the first bell. You can find these students lining the halls or scattered in the cafeteria.

Students who do their homework at home generally study in their rooms, at a desk, or at the kitchen table. However, some study in unique places. Amber Klecha said, "I do my homework in my closet." Most students don't do their homework for hours at a time. Some take breaks for a quick snack, dinner, or to catch their favorite television show. Tristan Sayers stated, "I usually do my math home-

-work first, have dinner, and then I go back and do the rest of my homework."

Projects are also a big part of the school year. Some people do them right away, while others spread it over the time they have to get it done. The majority of the student body chooses to wait until the last minute, usually the night before, to do their projects.

Kevin Gurne reported, "One time I had a five page report that we had two weeks to do and I put it off until the hour before it was due. I thought I was going to get a bad grade, but when I got the paper back, there was an 'A' at the top of it."

While all the teachers would love to hear that we spend hours a night doing homework and working diligently on projects, I'm afraid that will never be reality.

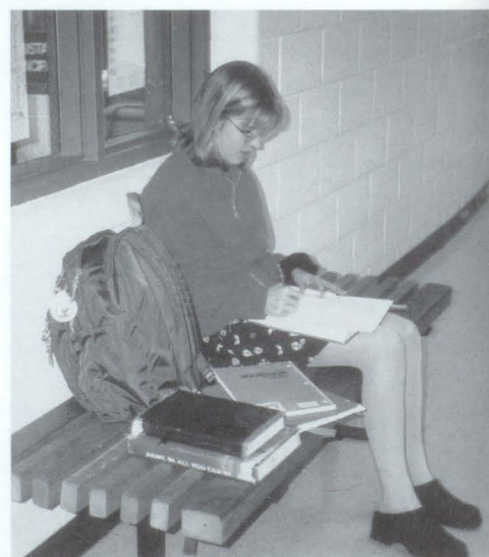


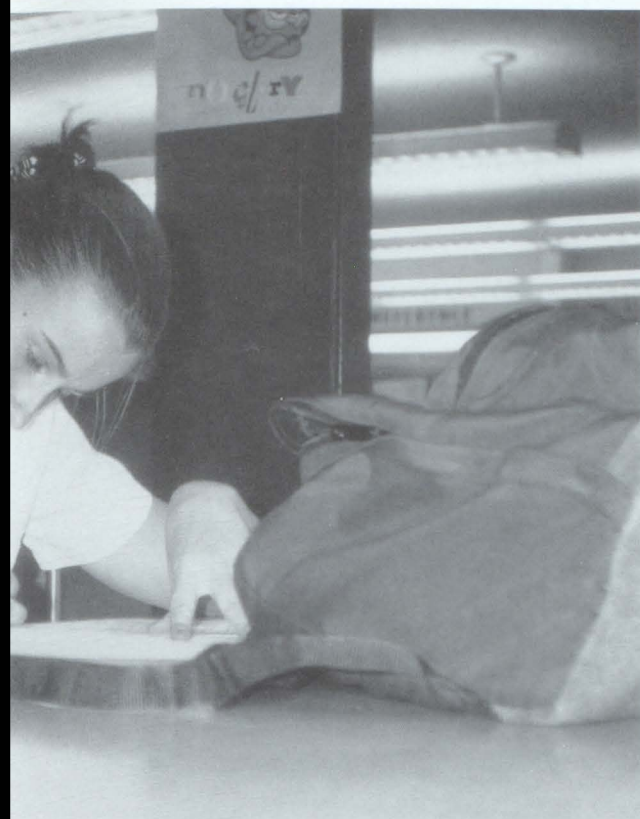
It takes two, Kurt Brinker and Melissa Emerich, to help Merideth Carter with her homework.



Yikes! James McQueary stresses over his homework.

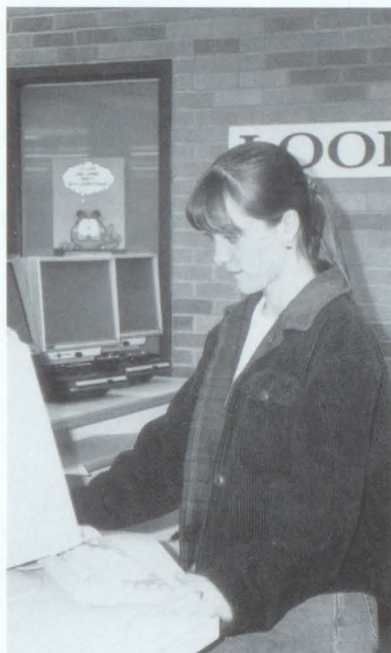
Homework or workout? Amanda Johnson just can't decide.



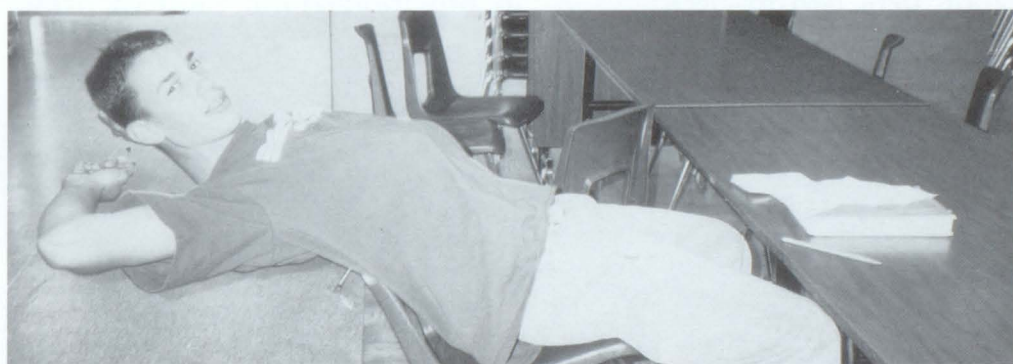


Working hard in the library after school is Bess Wassman.

Vicki Kerszykowski takes advantage of library time.



Quickly working, Marni Bacon hopes she will finish before the bell rings.



Where is the most interesting place you have ever done your homework?

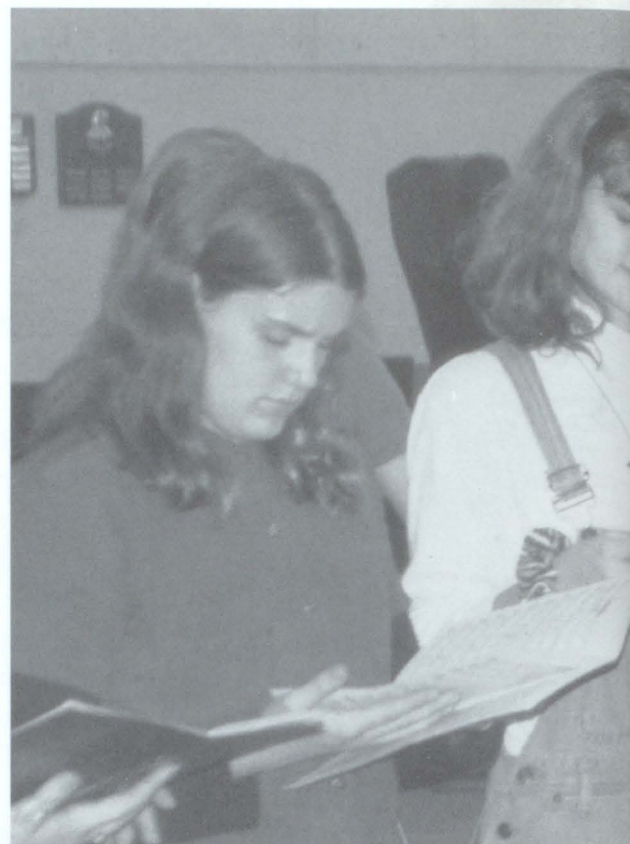
"In my bathtub."	"In my truck."
"On the beach."	"In a porta-john."
"A bus station in Ohio."	"IGA."
"The hatchback of a truck."	"Homework?"
"In my treestand in a swamp."	"On my horse."
"The hayloft."	"The hole they dug in my living room for our pet cow."
"At home."	"At the beach."
"McMorran Tower."	"In the Whitehouse."
"Underwater."	

Grabbing a snack, Sarah Armstrong takes a break from her after school job.

Brandon Avila practices his game after school.



Cousins, Shawn and Paul Stockwell, share everything, even a pop after school.



What is your favorite after school activity?

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| "Parachuting." | "Working on the yearbook." |
| "Goin' muddin' in my truck." | "Shopping at Erickson's." |
| "Lifting." | "Working on my truck." |
| "Sleeping." | "School ends? I just live here." |
| "Knocking over porta-johns." | "Standing by the empty pop machines." |
| "Eating Kenny's Pudding." | "Practice." |
| "Cutting Grass." | "Watching General Hospital." |
| "I'm a Gemini, and I like kittens and long walks on the beach." | "Reading." |
| Call me sometime." | "Running." |



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As the clock ticks to 2:24 p.m., the entire school stops to watch and wait. The hand moves again and with the ringing of the bell, everyone grabs their books and rushes into the crowded halls. They struggle to get where they need to be on time.

All students wait for the end of the day to roll around. They need to get a start on the more important things in life. While some students may go home to relax and veg, others dash to their afterschool job or prepare themselves for a long grueling practice. Nicole Miller commented, "Time is money. Afterschool I work everyday but I make the best of it."

Even though most of the student body rushes home after the day ends, the school is never completely empty.

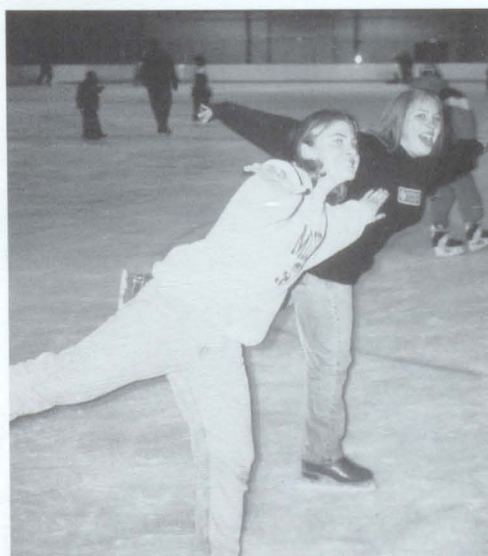
You can always find a few students still struggling with numbers in the math department and chemistry students making up a test. Practices are also a part of the school day, whether it is Band, Theater or Sports.

With all that is going on in our busy lives, it's often hard to make time for ourselves.

Between work, homework, and friends, senior Nicole Riedel wishes she had the time to kick back, relax, and do her nails.

Scott Brown also adds, "I like to work on the family farm, it's fun and it passes time quickly."

No matter what we choose to do, all of us enjoy being out of the classroom. Even so, the fun has to end sometime and eventually we all have to crack down and get down to business or homework.



Taking a moment after school, Mrs. Piotrowski helps Katie Vollmer with her homework.

Cruisin' around, Krys Grewe and Monique Lemon take a peak to see who just rear-ended them.



Working up a sweat, Melissa Meadows, Dawn Hardy, and Renee Gavlinski run the mile before practice.

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Ah Yes... Prom, the long awaited spring gala that seniors, juniors and a few privileged underclassmen have the opportunity to enjoy. This spectacular night was filled with magic, romance, and not to mention great food.

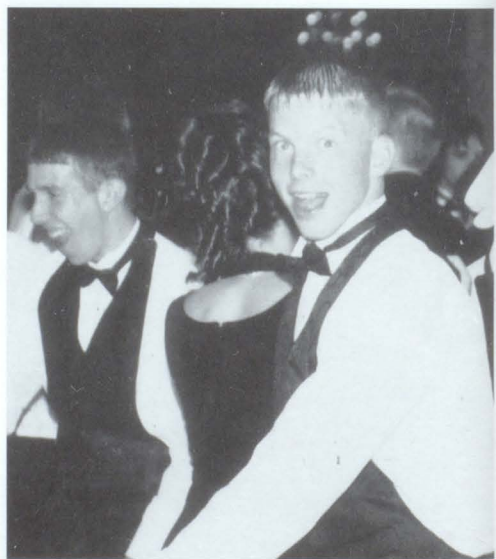
The evening began quite early for many students who spent countless hours in preparation for the big night. Most of the girls spent the majority of the day doing their nails, getting their hair done and picking up flowers. There is no substitute for looking lovely.

The magic took shape as students entered the doors to find their closest friends dressed in their finest. From dresses and tuxedos to dancing and pictures, May 2nd was a night all will remember. The tuxedos varied from black to white, some included a top hat and cane, while others had vests which complimented their date's dresses.

Attire for the ladies also included a wide variety. Some dresses were long and slender, while others were knee length with a train.

In order to make the evening perfect for everyone, the volunteer prom committee had some tough decisions to make. They would need to accurately reflect the desires of the four hundred students who would be in attendance. The committee needed a location, an invitation, a menu and little decoration for the tables. "We found it difficult to choose things by what we thought the student body would like, not by what we liked," commented the junior class president, Sarah Schweihofer.

These decisions helped make prom night absolutely perfect. From the food to the disc jockey, the committee made this a memorable night for all in attendance.



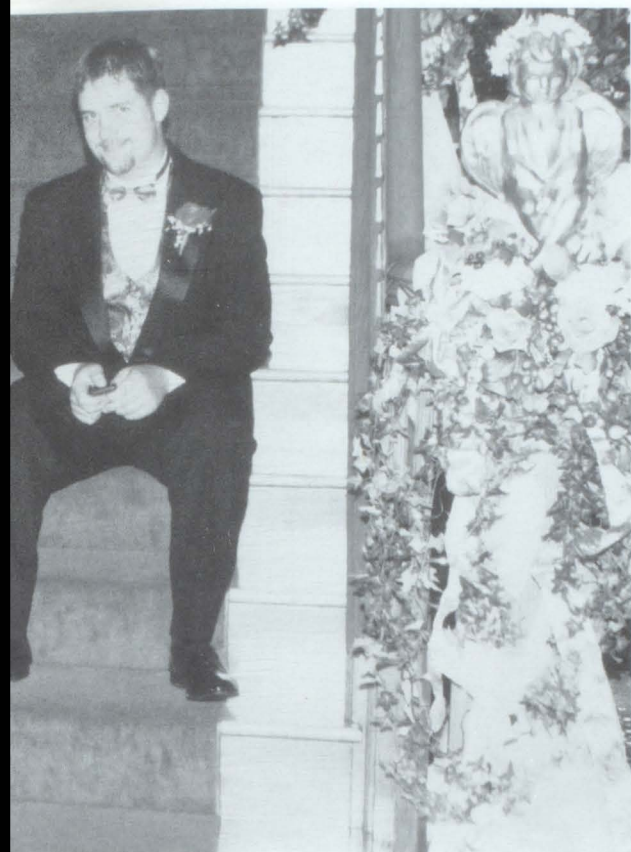
Dancing the night away, T.J. Pavlov and Shelly Kuzera show everyone what they're made of.



Making a request, Michele Demers, Eric Crisenberry, and Thomas McCartan chat with the DJ.

Any Pauly, Vanessa Bushay, Megan Minock and Kara McWain take a break from dancing for a quick picture.





Prom Queen and King Amanda Lipke and Donn Bacon pose on the staircase.



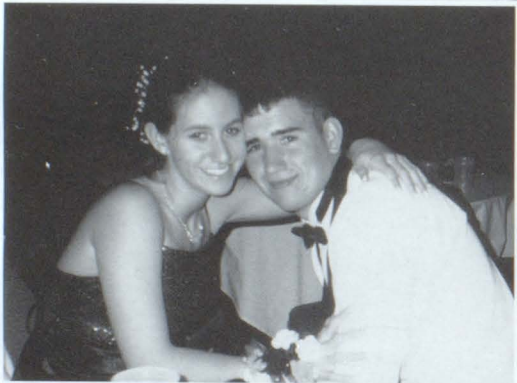
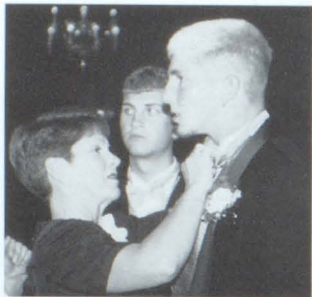
Following dinner, Sarah Rock and Nikki Stephan lean in for a snapshot.

Ready for an after dinner snack, Jon Barrons munches on a flower.



What is the one thing you spent most of your time doing before prom?

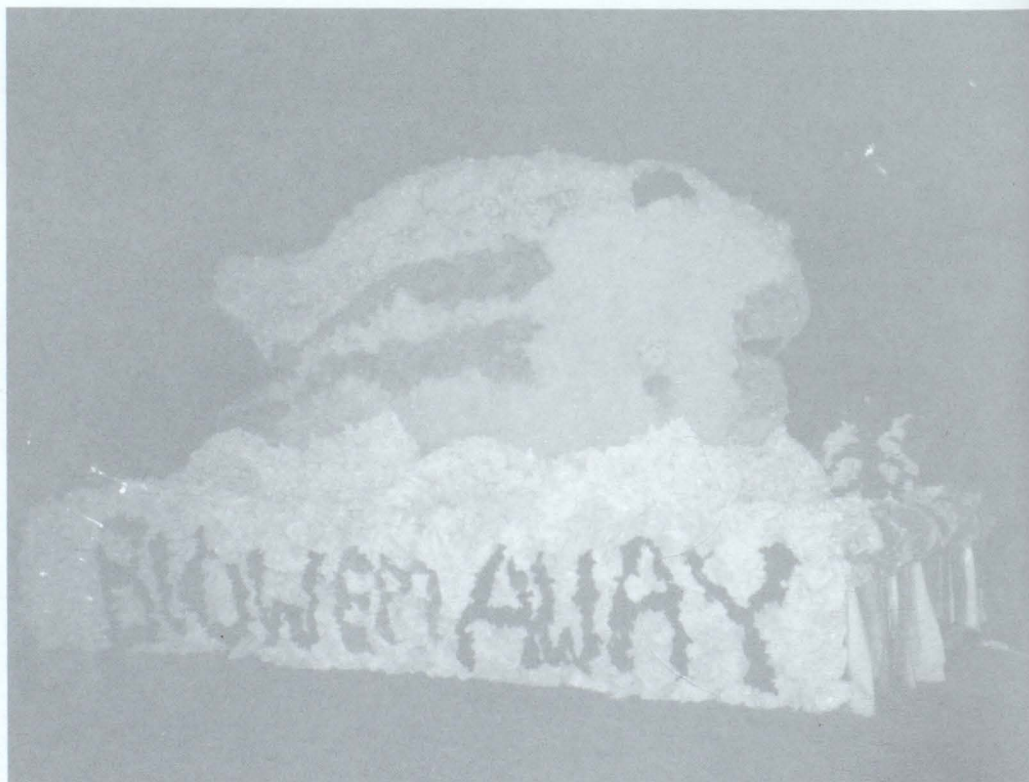
“Getting my hair done and going back to work.”	“Polishing up my truck.”
“Trying to find a date took a while.”	“Practicing how to eat like a civilized person.”
“Convincing my parents to let me use the car.”	“Getting my nails done.”
	“Putting on deodorant.”



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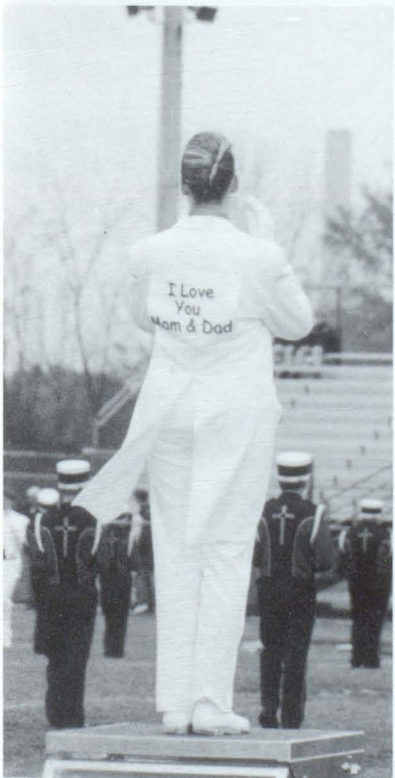


Class of 1998

As seniors we prepare ourselves for what will be the most challenging chapter of our lives. However, our senior year should not solely be about thinking of and planning for our lives after high school. Instead let us take advantage of the lessons we have learned, and to appreciate all the chapters we have already lived.

It is said that change is the only constant in the universe and the Class of '98 is no exception. Through countless changes we have evolved from freshmen to seniors. We began our freshman year so intimidated and small. Not knowing what to expect and dreading the "Freshman Kill Day."

Now we have the advantage of experience. We have earned our right to vote and most of us are able to get into R-rated movies legally. We have power, dominance, and control over destiny. We have not merely changed; we have evolved.



Back in the Day...

1986 was a big year for this year's graduating seniors, it was the year they were in kindergarten! Here are a few important events that happened in this monumental year...

The big news in the 1985-86 school year...

100th anniversary of the Statue of Liberty celebrated across America... Chernobyl nuclear plant accident death toll at 26... "Platoon" was a box office hit, and fans were gathering around Paul Newman and Marlee Matlin... Chicago won Super Bowl XX, and the Mets were enjoying their World Series win... Live Aid was helping starving Africans... Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson tied the knot while Charles and Diana visited DC... millions watched as the Challenger disaster unfolded before their eyes... Swatch watches and transformers were popular... Ronald Reagan was running things in the White House with Vice President Bush right behind him.

Hot Hits:

"Careless Whisper" by Wham
"Like a Virgin" by Madonna
"Wake me up before you Go-Go" by Wham



During the good ole middle school days, Christine Emerich, Crystal Noon, Sarah Wroblewski, Nicole Riedel, and Jeni Putney enjoy their lunch hour.

The big news around town in 1986...

St. Clair High didn't have a math wing... The current guidance and main offices were a sidewalk... East China Stadium was an empty field... St. Clair sports fans were cheering for their hockey team... The Apple 2's were brand new...

On the Tube

"The Cosby Show"
"Dynasty"
"Miami Vice"

At the Show

"Rambo"
"Rocky 4"
"Back to the Future"

Cash Flow:

	1986	1998
U.S. population	242 million	268 million
Three bedroom home	\$80,300	\$120,900
Average Income	\$29,212	\$34,900
Price of a new Ford	\$9,120	\$18,985
Gasoline, 1 gallon	\$.84	\$1.23
Bread, 1 pound	\$.64	\$.85



The gang hangs out in the halls between classes back in middle school.





Amanda Lipke and Karn Patterson are looking their best on Varsity Club Initiation Day in 1996.



Junior float 1996-1997



Sophomore float 1995-1996

Freshman float 1994-1995



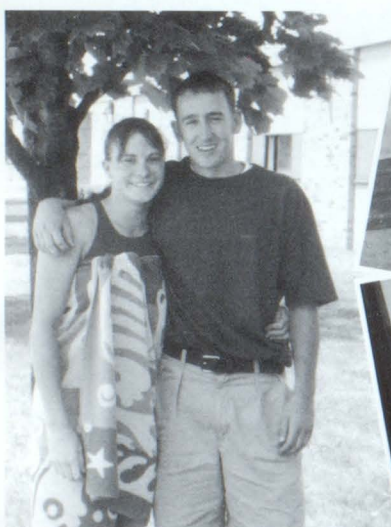
Best Dressed

Chad Westrick
Alexa Hollweg



Most Outgoing

Derek Benvenuti
Renee Brown



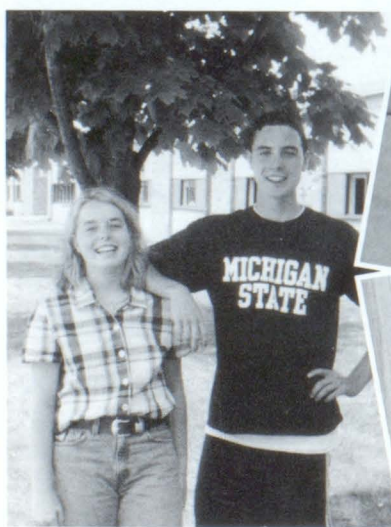
Most Athletic

Ryan Biewer
Amanda Wright



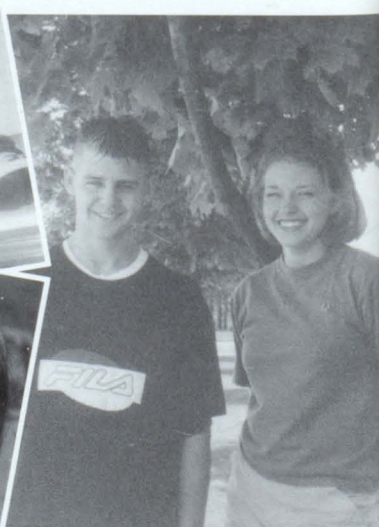
Funniest

Jehnis Dunkel
Bonnie Kalmar



Most Likely to Succeed

Jeremy Mansell
Lindsay Gottler



Best Eyes

Pete Baciorowski
Molly Holm



Senior Mock Elections...

What would be a fitting tribute to those who sat behind us in class talking all hour, those who brightened our not so perfect day with a glowing smile, and those who could almost always be found in the gym?

While many adults were concerned about the fall elections in town, seniors at SCHS were concentrating on who to nominate for their senior mock elections. The categories honor those people who have outstanding styles, personalities, abilities, and traits. "Choosing the winners of the mock election

was not as easy as I thought it would be. It was tough deciding who to nominate for what because their were so many memories to choose from." stated senior Brooke Klecha.

More likely than not, when you look back at the categories and winners you will find yourself saying, "Hey, do you remember . . . ?"

Those who were chosen should feel honored to have received such lasting recognition from their friends and classmates.

Most Talkative

Steve Freeland
Bobbi Jo Fraley

Most Friendly

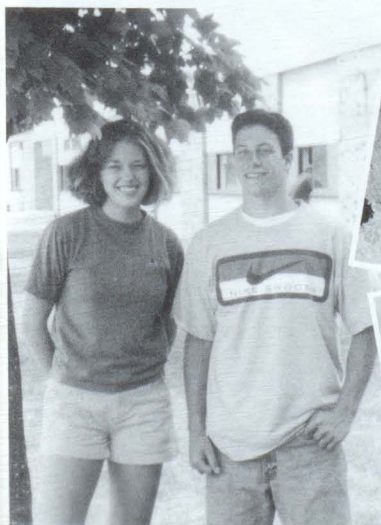
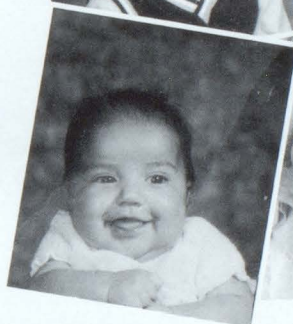
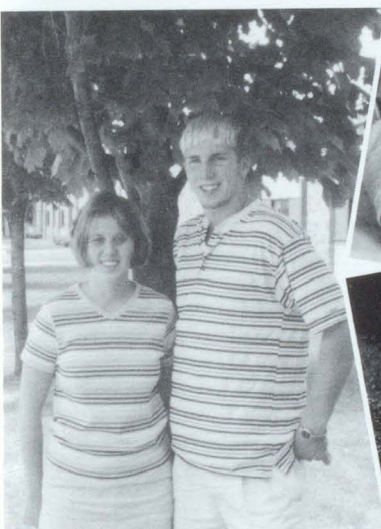
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Erica Gonzales

Nicest Smile

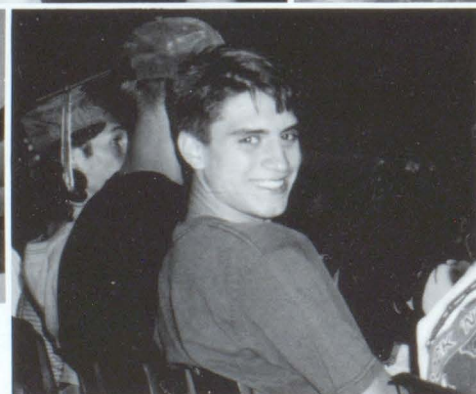
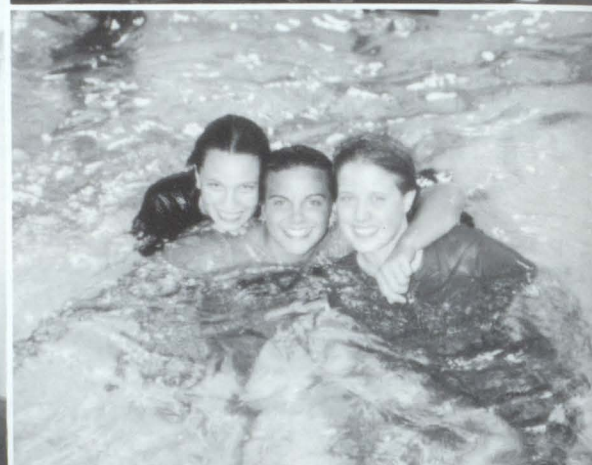
Joe Ferlito
Molly Holm

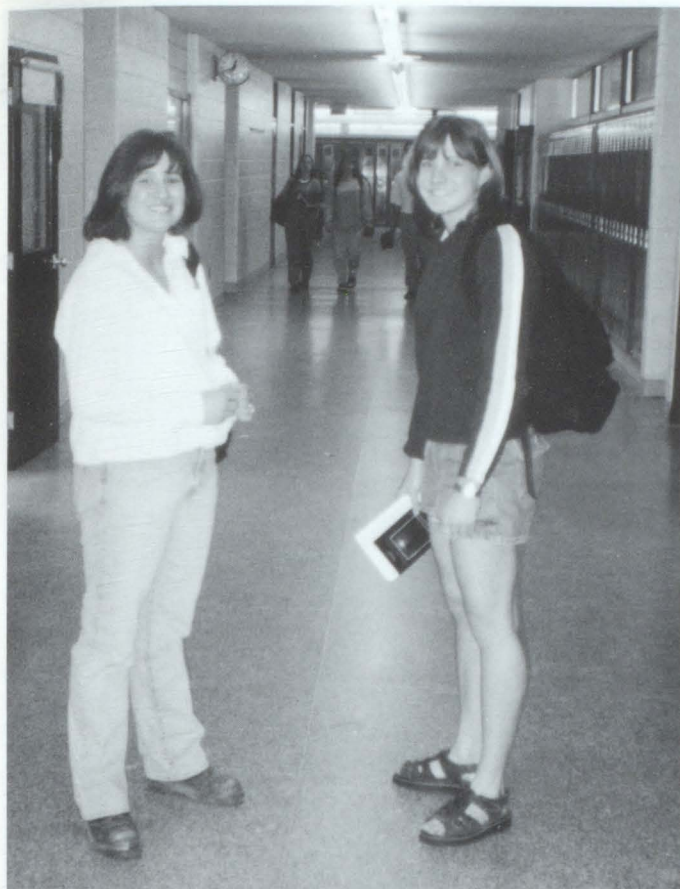
Best Couple

Mike Barker
Jamie Cunningham



Looking Back





Senior Class of 1998

"To be successful in life, prosperous in my job, and live a happy life."

- Jerry Sargent

"No anthology, no finals and earlier dismissal for seniors."

- Melanie Heaman

"To star on Broadway, perform with Tori Amos and to get my brother the life he wants."

- Anna Stanley

"To own a blue Australian tree frog farm, to always be happy and to meet Bon Jovi."

- Alexa Hollweg

*If you
could be
granted
three wishes,
what would
they be?*

"People to have respect for others, to keep in touch with my friends and hope that my children will have the same opportunities I had."

- Rob Christoff



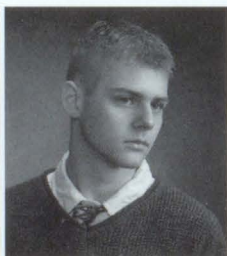
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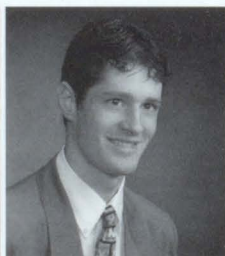
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Donn Bacon



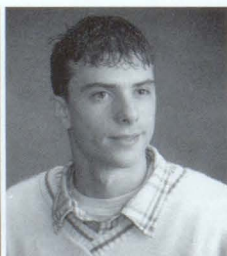
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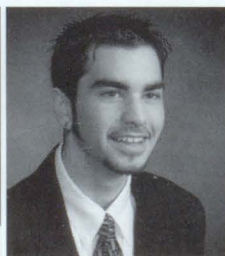
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Bryan Bennett



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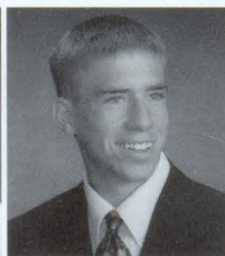
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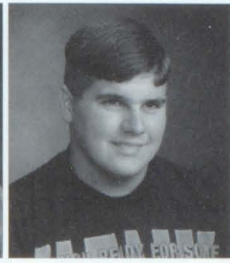


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Corrine Britz





Renee Brown

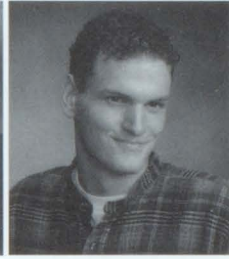
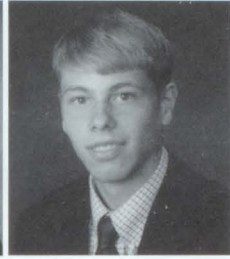
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Christopher Burke

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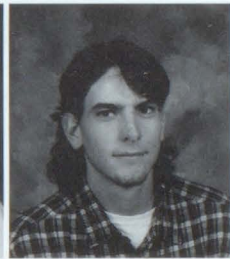
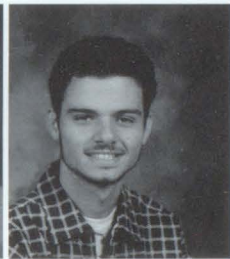
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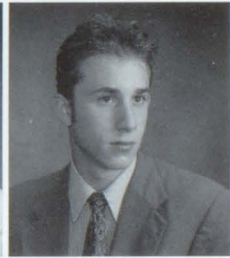
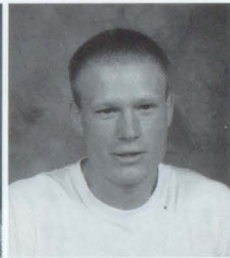
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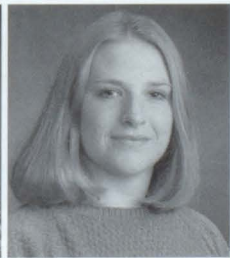
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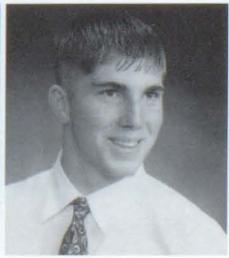
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Erika Gill



Erica Gonzales



Sarah Gotautas



Lindsey Gottler



Jason Gourlay



Holly Griffith



Kevin Gurne



Elaina Hall



Bradley Harder



Dawn Hardy



Melanie Heaman



Jeanne Holladay



Alexa Hollweg



Molly Holm



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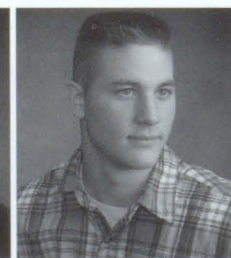
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Erica Krzywiecki



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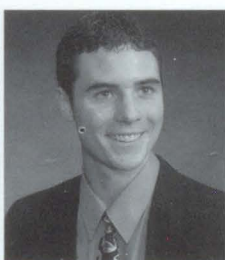
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Nicole Major



Jeremy Mansell



Sarah Markel



Lindsay Mastry



Nicholas May



Terrilyn Mazzie



Bridget McConnell



Maghann McDonald



Amanda McGuire

What important sentimental items have you kept from your past?

"A wood chip that my boyfriend gave me. He forgot flowers so he grabbed the closest thing."

- Angie Jeroue

"My Rainbow Bright doll from Ludington."

- Christina Smith

"My first pair of point shoes from ballet class."

- Molly Holm

"Keys to every single vehicle I've ever owned."

- Nick May

"I have a ring that my great grandpa gave me."

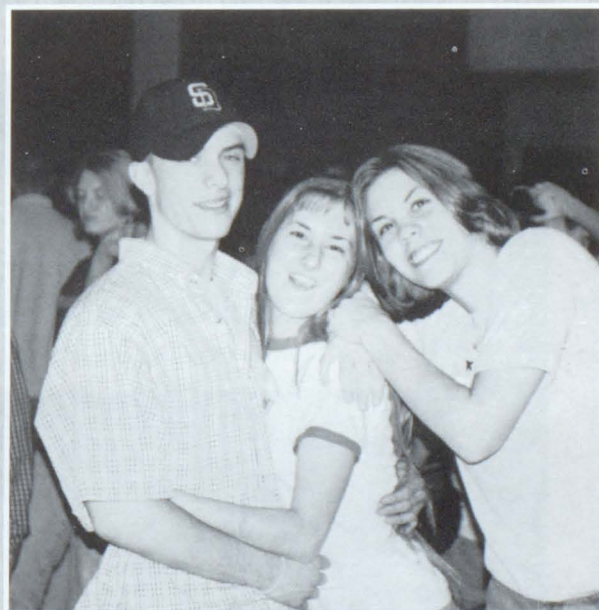
- Terri Mazzie

"I still have one of my dresses from when I was a little girl."

- Erika Gill

"Every letter, note, picture or ticket from anyone or anything."

- BJ Beauchamp





What is your biggest fear of graduation?

"Being lost in the world."

- Lindsey Gottler

"I don't fear graduating. I can't wait!"

- Sarah Wrobleski

"Leaving behind friendships and entering the scary world."

- Athena Bushay

"Tripping and falling on stage during the ceremony."

- Sarah Morgan

"Being thrown out into a cruel world."

- Laura Emery

"What comes after...the real world."

- Wendy Biscarner



Lisa Melczarczyk



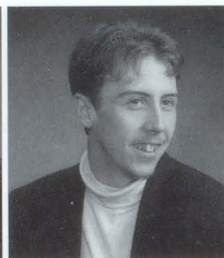
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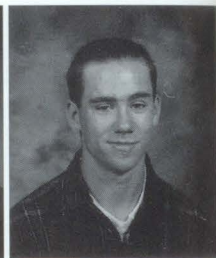
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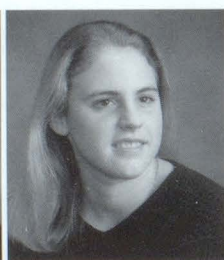
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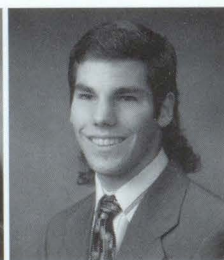
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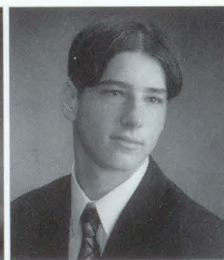
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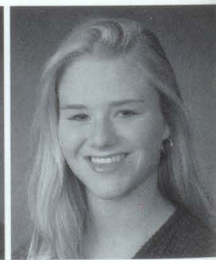
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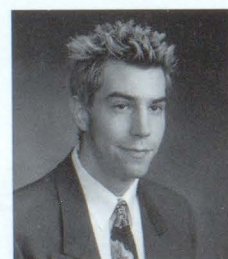
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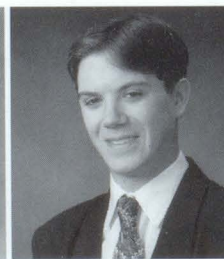
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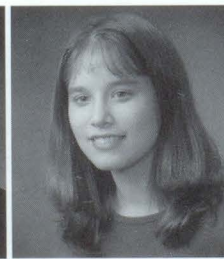
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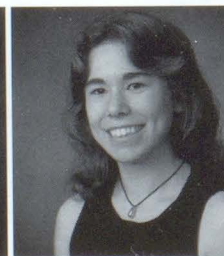
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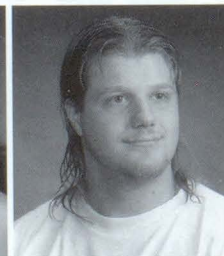
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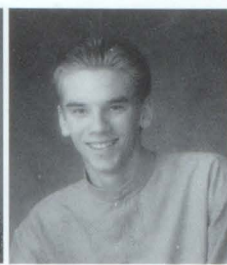




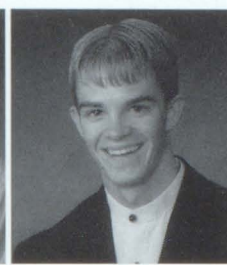
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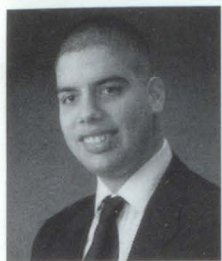
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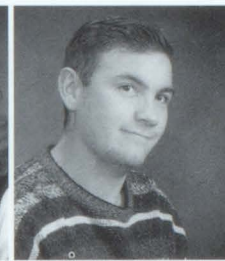
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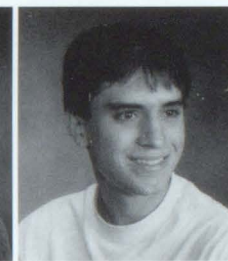
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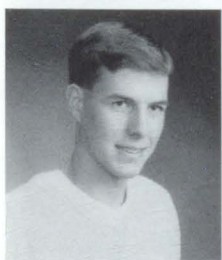
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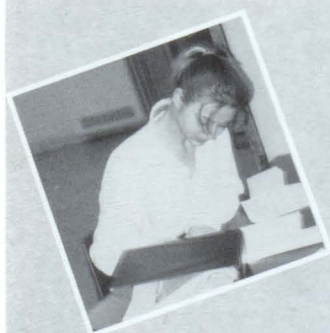
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Anna Stanley



Nicole Stephan



How do you interpret the quote "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus?"

"We live in completely different worlds, but still revolve around the same sun."

- Elaina Hall

"Men and women are from different worlds, the fun part is when their worlds collide."

- Chris Jahn



"Men inhabit a far off planet where they act barbaric all day. Women reside on the planet where they make world peace."

- Erin Zimmerman

"Men and women have different views on things, but in the end, they should be together."

- Holly Fountain





Anthony Stewart



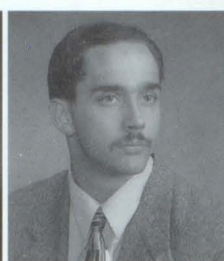
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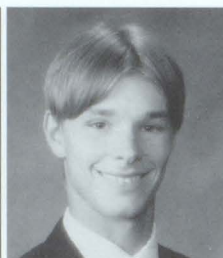
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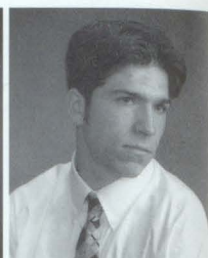
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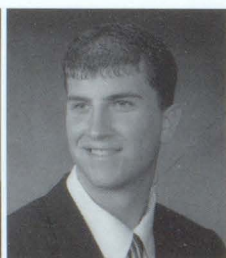
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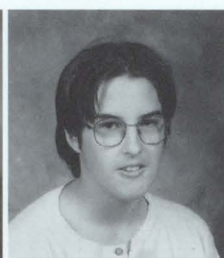
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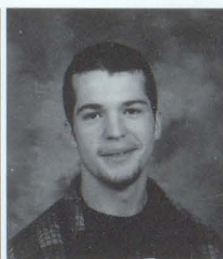
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Sarah Wroblewski



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Brad Young



David Zablocki



Erin Zimmerman

What memories will you leave behind as you graduate?

"None- memories are what makes up a person- the good, the bad and the ugly."

- Bree Campbell

"I won't leave behind any memories as I graduate. I will always have memories of SCHS."

- Al Chamberlain

"First day as a freshman, last day as a senior."

- Bryan Bennet

"The experience of having an exchange student."

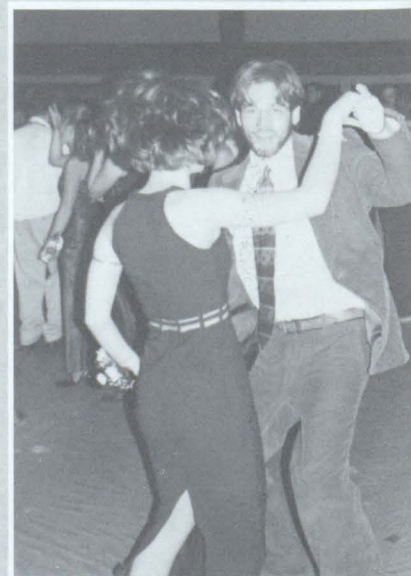
- Jeni Putney

"I can't believe how fast school went by. The best memories have been meeting my friends and growing up with them."

- Becky Barczi

"Having a crush on my future husband and telling him."

- Jaime Cunningham



Class Colors:

Red and Blue

Class Moto:

"Never Look Back"

Class Song:

"Everybody Knows Your Name"

(Cheers Theme)

Class Advisor:

Tony Monte

Graduation:

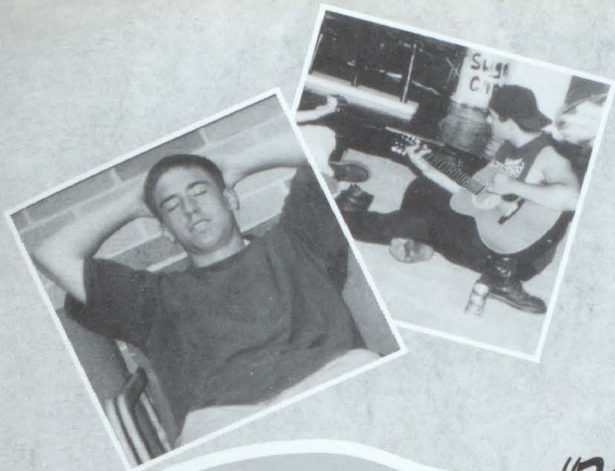
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Class Flower:

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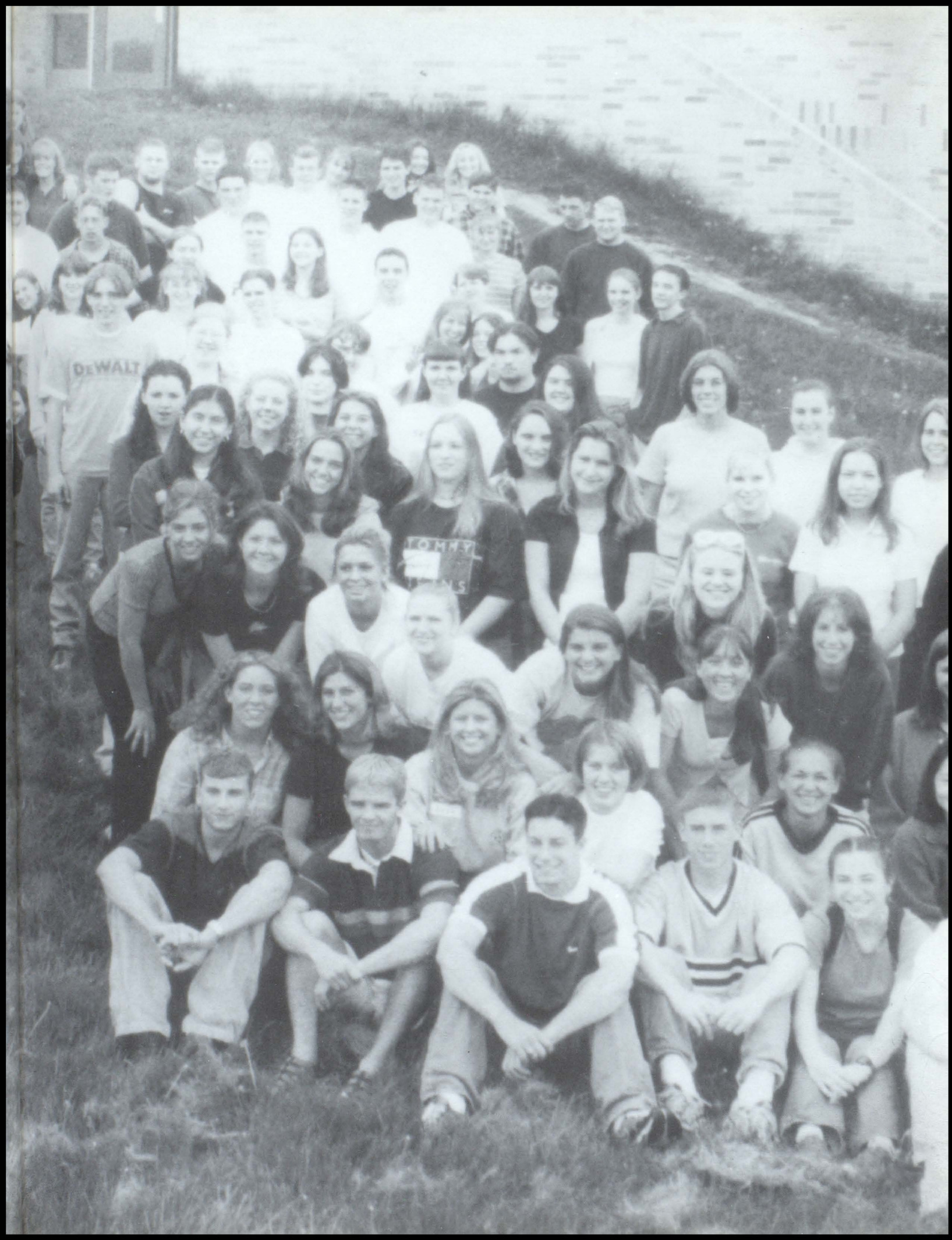
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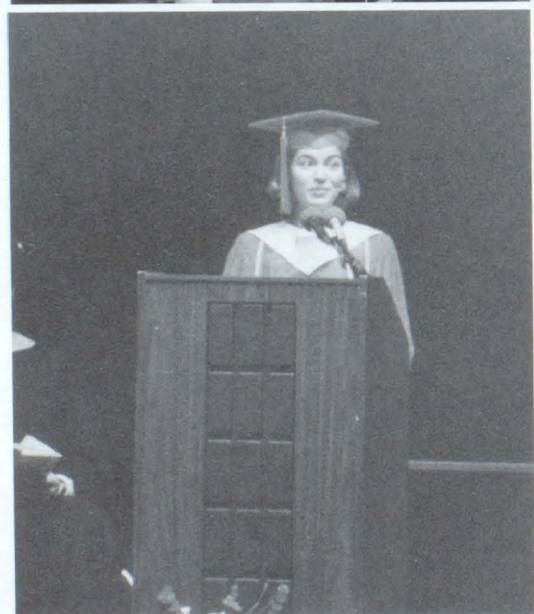
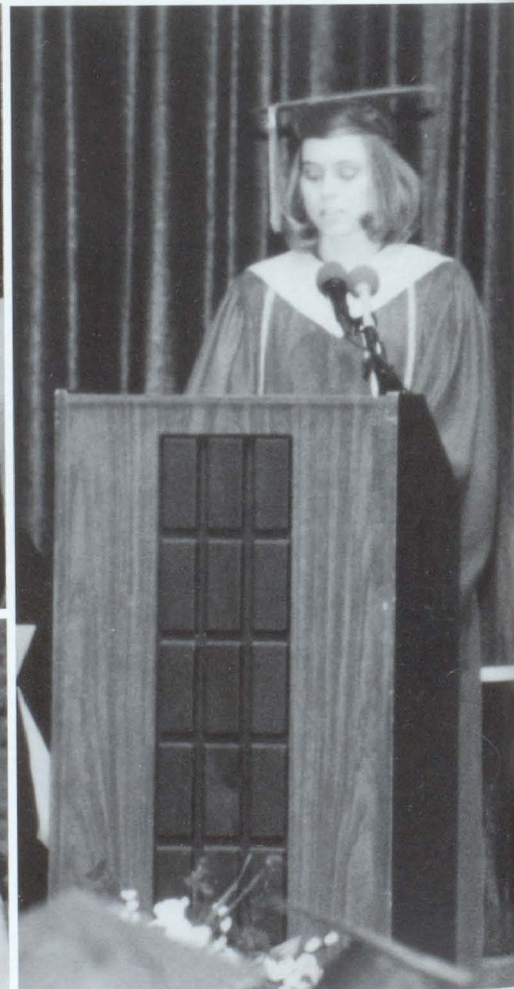
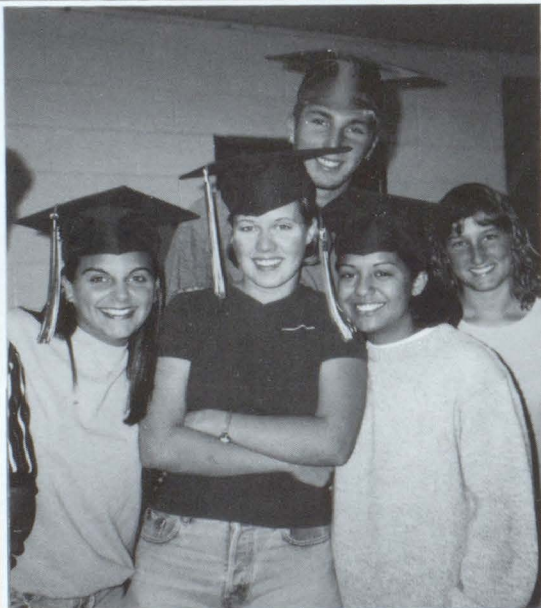
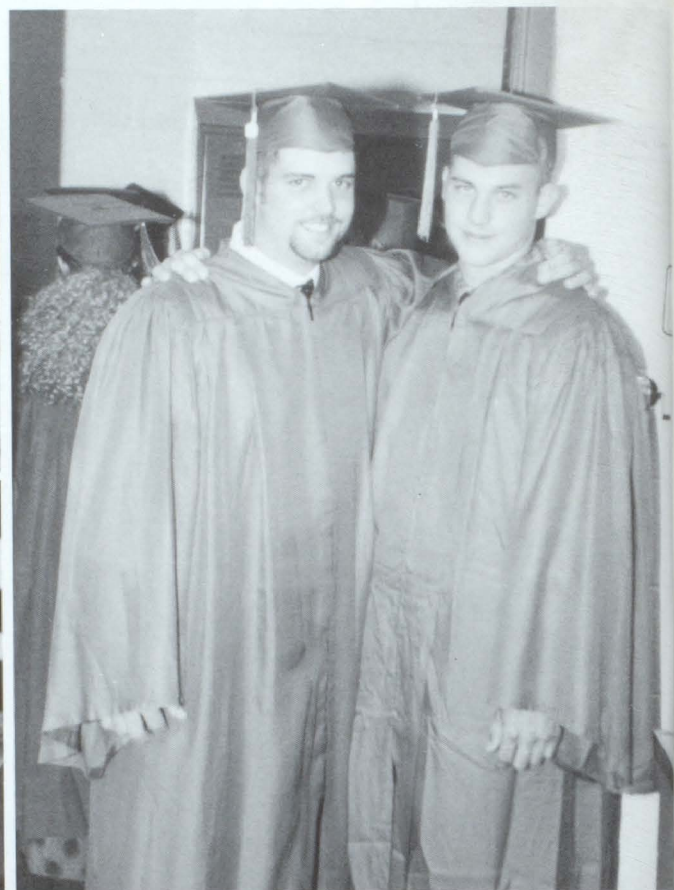
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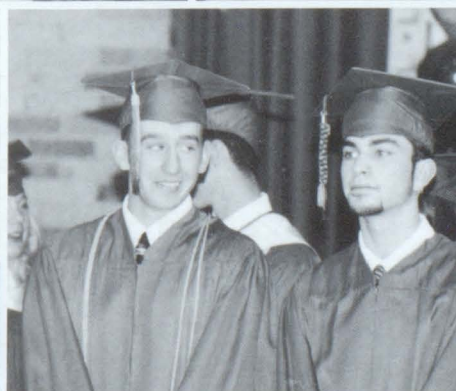
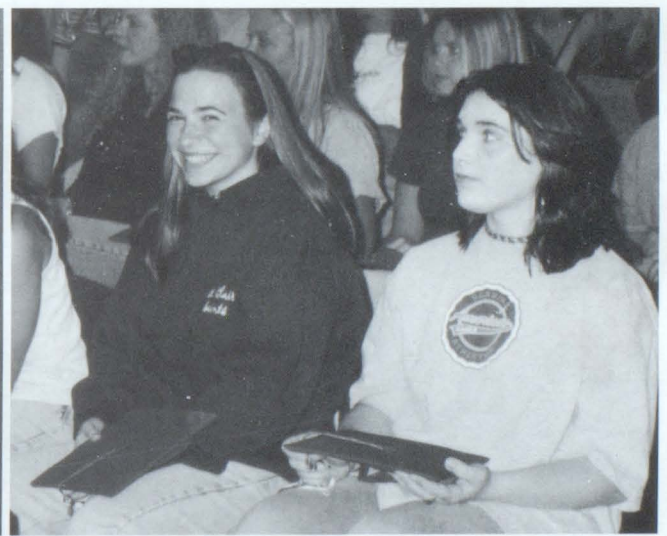
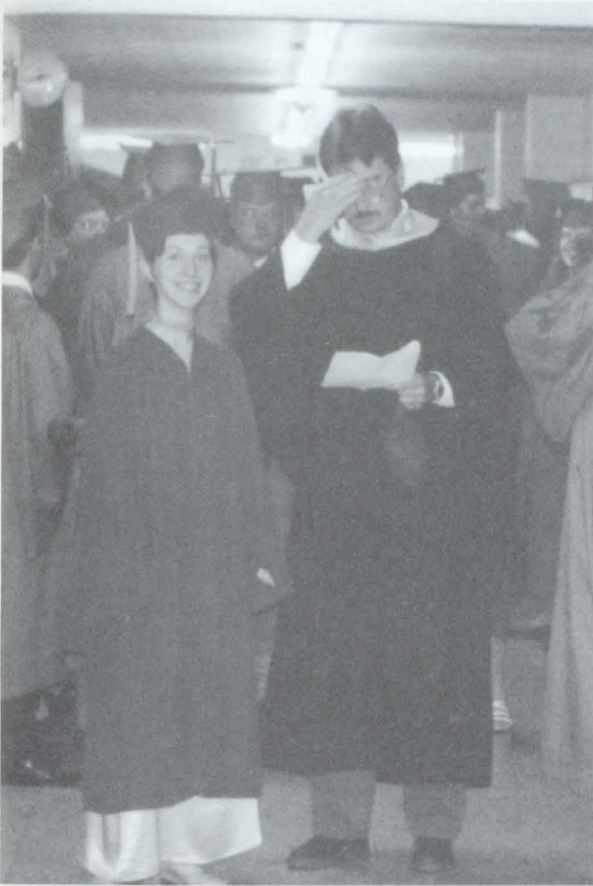
Memories lingered everywhere for the graduating class of 1998 as they gathered together one last time. June 7, graduation day, promised the class of '98 a heart full of emotions and an armful of hugs. One hundred seventy students walked down the aisles in the gym on that Sunday afternoon to receive their diplomas with a tremendous feeling of pride and accomplishment.

Throughout the ceremony, words of hope, wisdom, and encouragement were offered by Superintendent Tom Shorkey, Valedictorian Michelle Kreusel and Salutatorian Elaina Hall. Mr.

Shorkey reminded graduates to make room in their lives for the "big stuff" first, before filling their "jars" with all of life's extras.

Graduates sat and listened intently to these words and cherished this moment that they had awaited for so long. Senior members of the St. Clair Singers then sang their last song as tears and smiles filled the room and memories of past events came rushing back.

The graduates rode a roller coaster of emotions that day. The past 13 years had finally come to an end and it was time to face the future head on.



Senior Party

Once upon a time, in a small town in Michigan, 170 students graduated from high school. Their parents were so proud of them that they threw them a huge party. They transformed the school into a wonderland of settings from a variety of books.

The graduates entered their wonderland through a key-hole similar to that in *Alice in Wonderland*. They were welcomed with tea and treats from Alice and the Mad Hatter.

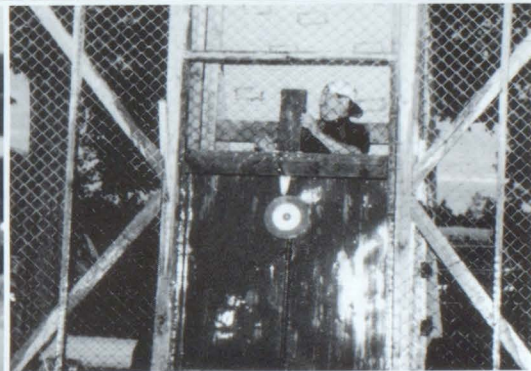
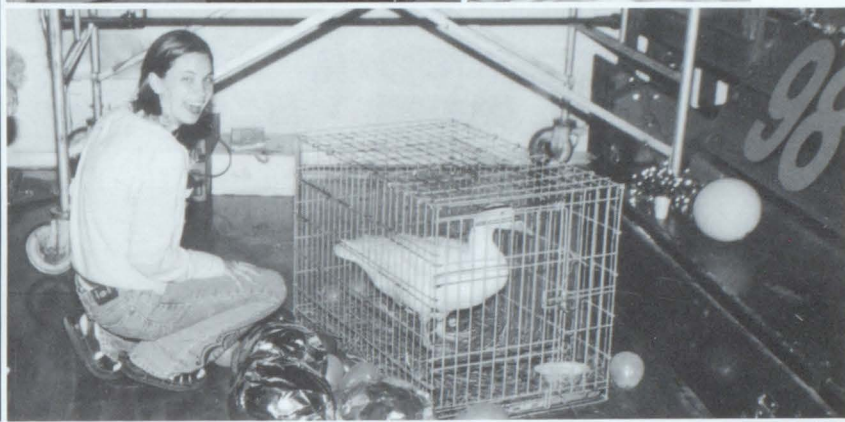
The guests continued through a dark maze where at the end they discovered Dorothy and

the Tin Man. Guests were encouraged to follow the yellow brick road where they could visit Oz and the Wizard.

Continuing through their unrecognized school, the graduates journeyed through a hot and steamy jungle, a chocolate factory where candy was dripping from the ceilings, and finally *Treasure Island*, where they gambled for treasures.

At five o'clock in the morning, graduates were released into the next chapter of their lives where they will all live happily ever after.









Class of 1999

Junior year brings with it parking permits, ACT scores, and your own locker. Although none of us are excited about parking in the pit, we are all thrilled about having the freedom that accompanies driving to school. The ACT is not something that is looked forward to, however, the idea that college is one year closer is always inviting.

As juniors, students are officially considered upper-classmen and instantly gain the respect of underclassmen. In addition, they have higher expectations placed on them by teachers and administrators as they are looked to as leaders and role models in the school.

Junior year brings about few changes, yet throughout the year the excitement builds as we come one year closer to finishing our high school careers. By the time June rolls around, juniors bid farewell to their senior friends and can be heard screaming...one more year...as they eagerly take over as rulers of the school.



Class of 1999



"I'd buy an Etch-a-sketch, because they provide hours of fun."

- Adam May

"I'd buy a hamper and name him Petey Pajamas."

- Matt Woodard

"I would buy vegetable seeds, so I could eat for the rest of my life."

- Amy Schneider

"A number five supersized with a coke and barbeque sauce."

- Bill Senavaitis

If you only had \$5 to spend for the rest of your life, what would you spend it on?

"A bottle of water and a pack of gum."

- Bridgette Walendzik

"A Big Game ticket."

- Tristan Sayers

"A Bath and Body Works chap stick."

- Monique Lemon

"I'd buy Mr. LaClear new shoes."

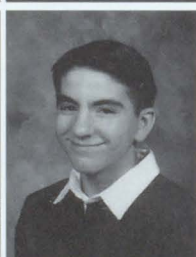
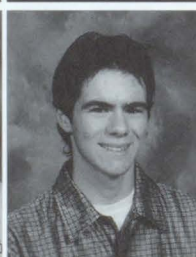
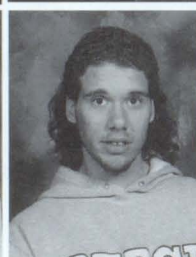
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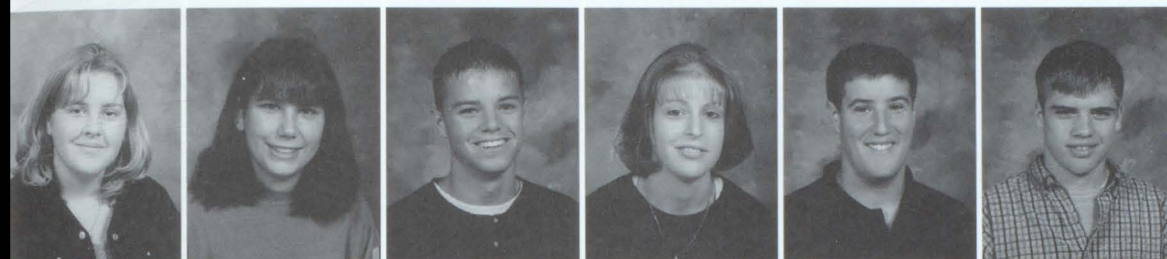


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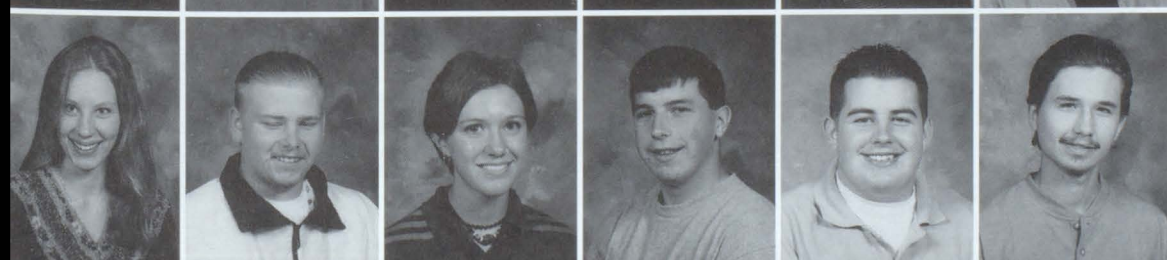
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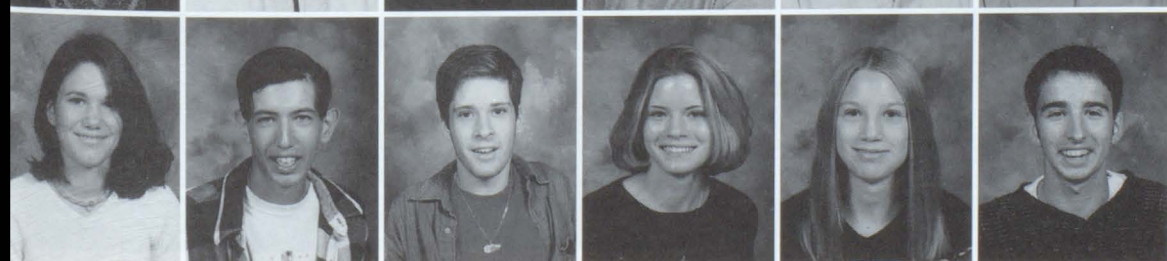
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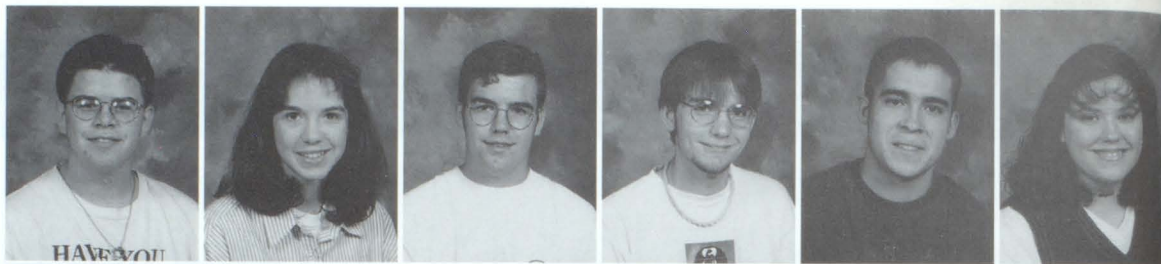


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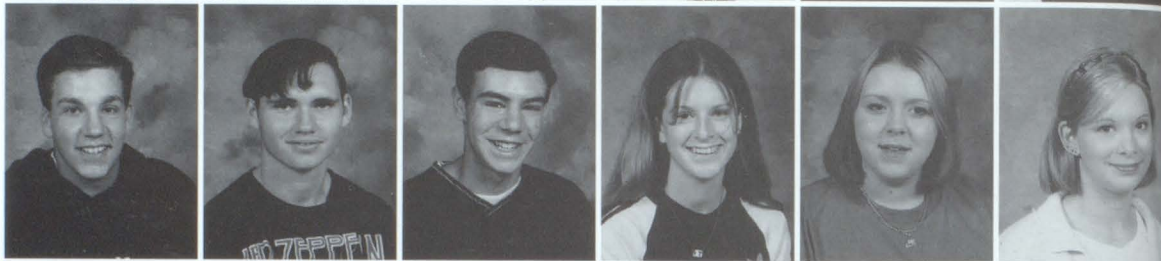


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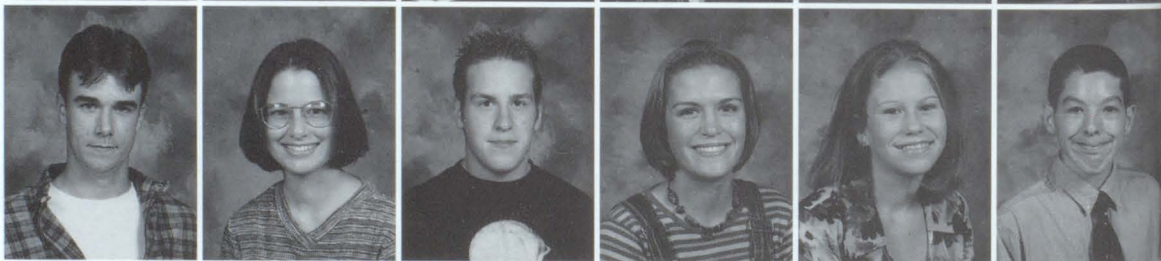
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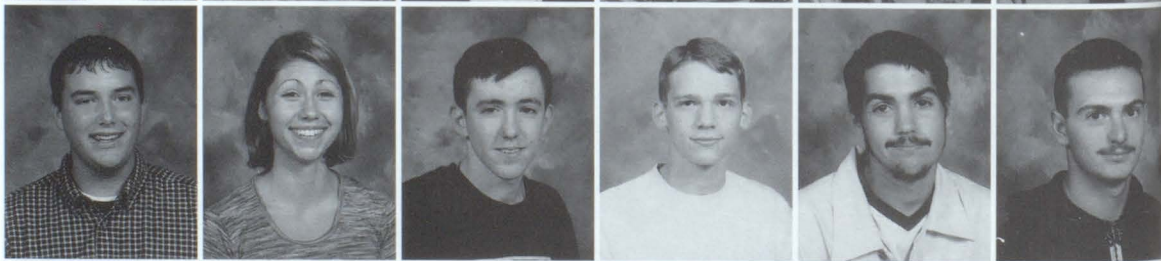
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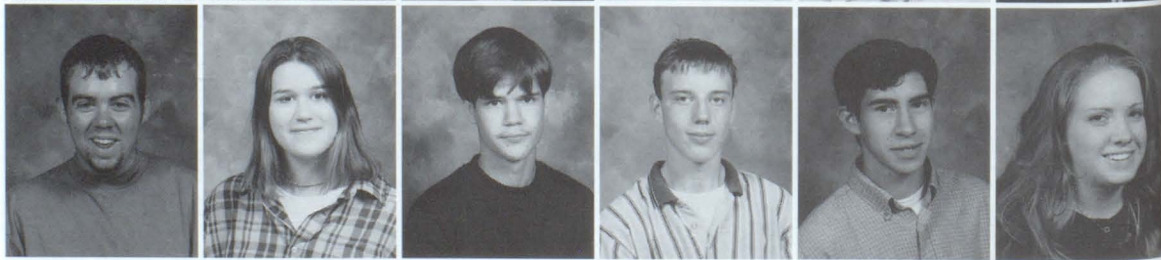
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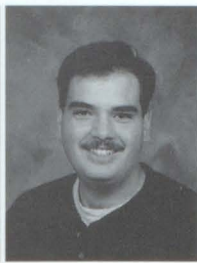


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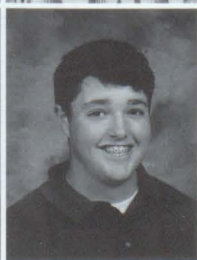
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*If you had to live as
a vegetable which
would you choose?*

"A potato, because french fries rock."

- Drew Denly

*"A brussel sprout, because every kid would be
afraid of me and I would live forever."*

- Jon Barrons

*"A pumpkin, because I could scare little kids at
halloween."*

- Craig Stein

"An onion, because I could make people cry."

- Kevin Chase

"Broccoli, it looks like a little bush."

- Sarah Powers

"Celery- firm, yet juicy."

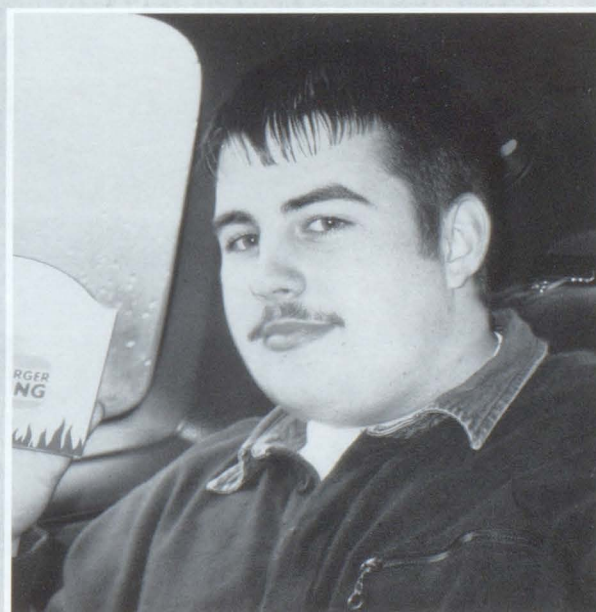
- Justin Bul

*"Asparagus, because it's wild and unique like
me."*

- Missy Askew

"What's a vegetable?"

- Marc McRandal





What is your most prized possession?

"My bed, because there's no other bed like it."

- Michelle Demers

"My NWO shirt, because Nitro rules."

- Josh Gomola

"The fridge, there is food in there."

- Jason Holbert

"The toilet, because it's the best thing in the house."

- Brant Herzer

"My Joey Lawrence doll."

- Jenn Michalski

"My cat, Puffy."

- Lisa Petrilla

"My life-sized Leonardo DiCaprio cut-out. Without that, my heart would not go on."

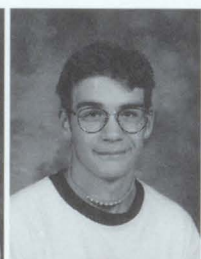
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"My new earring because it's da bomb."

- Mike Boullard



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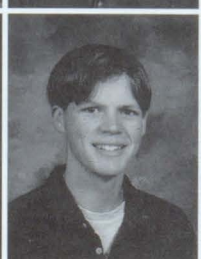
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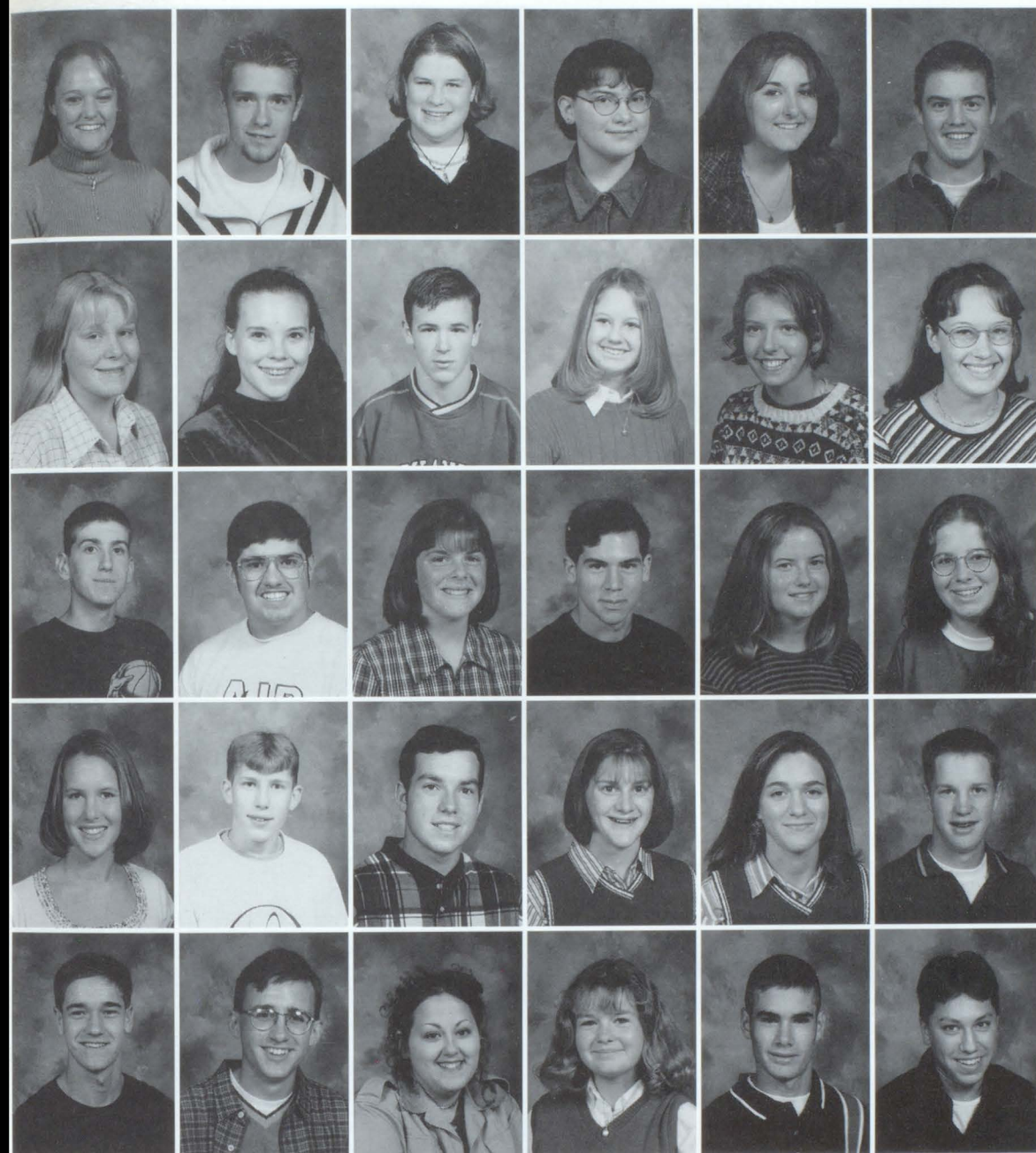


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Michael Sell
William Senavaitis
Michelle Shehan
Keri Sherrill
Timothy Shine
Eric Simons



What is your most prized possession?

"My paychecks, because I never get any."

- Jessica Homburg

"My hockey stick, because it's my favorite sport."

- Chris Lee

"My horse, because it's beautiful."

- Vanessa Bushay

"My Mary Poppins Barbie Doll. It's very special to me."

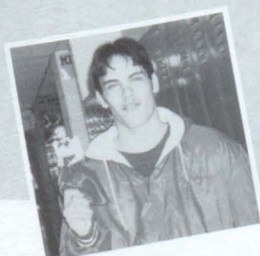
- Nate Biringer

"My truck, because it's awesome."

- Brandon Haske

"The angel statue my grandma gave me."

- Marcy Unruh





*What's the most
exciting thing
you plan to
do this summer?*

"Going waterskiing!"

- Laura Birch

"Taking a nap and eating."

- Jenny Schulte

*"Playing volleyball and going
on vacation."*

- Renee Tylen

"Hanging out in my bathtub."

- Megan Hortos

*"Winning a trip to Florida, and
meeting lots of hot guys, or
maybe go to Smiths Creek."*

- Stef Swierkosz

"Showing my horse."

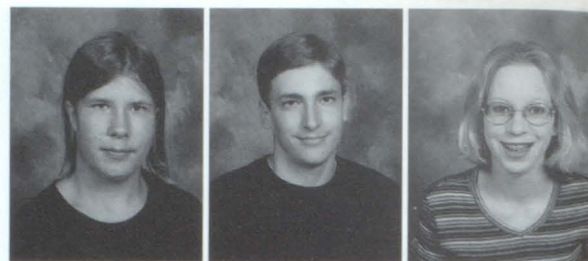
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*"Going away on vacation some
place nice. Anywhere. Just not
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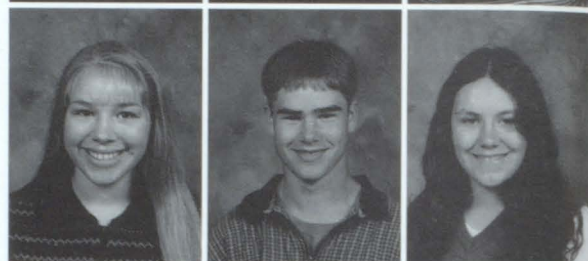
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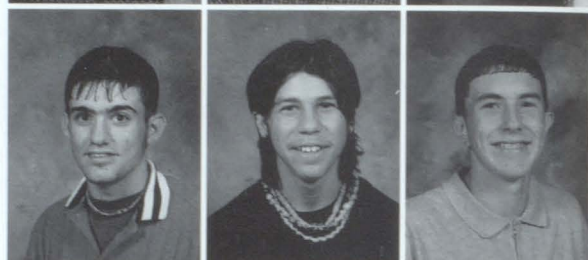
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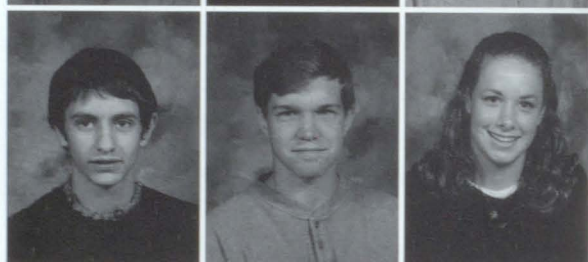
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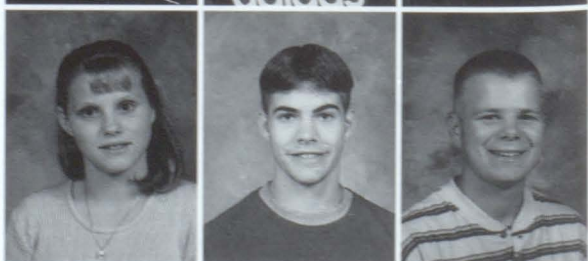
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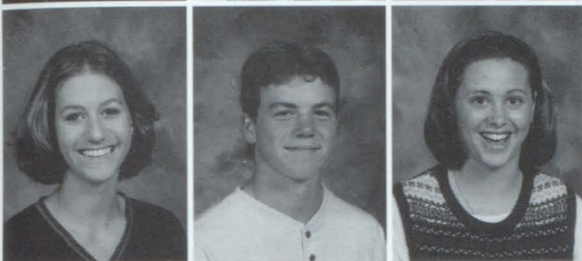


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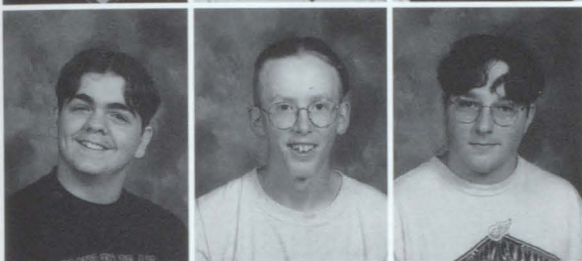




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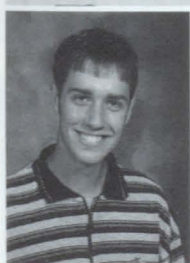
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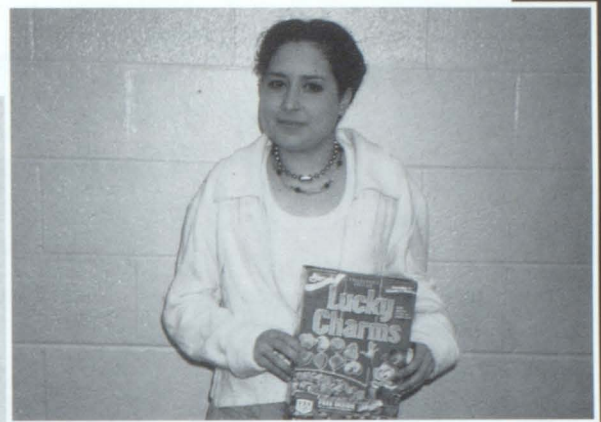
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Michael Zimmer



*What lucky charm
would you take
with you to
play Bingo?*

*"I would take my lucky hair tie be-
cause it sends 'luck waves' into my
brain."*

- Jennifer Flemming

"My NWO hat."

- John Sanchez

"A box of lucky charms cereal."

- Melissa Ranger

*"Loud music, so the old ladies will
leave and I will be the only one left to
win."*

- Steve Vogel

*"I would take my lucky socks from
tennis- they're white with a yellow
strip on them."*

- Natalie Pavlov

"My dog."

- Brant Herzer

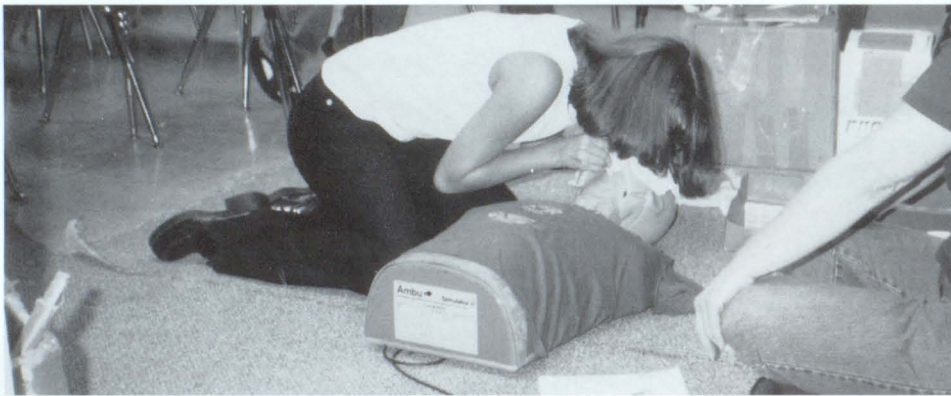
*"The lucky silver penny Emily made
me, it's special."*

- Kristy Liebetreu

*"I'm a lucky person I don't need any
charms."*

- Kevin Chase





Class of 2000

Where exactly do sophomores fit in? They are not upperclassmen, yet they are no longer the "peons" of the school. They are expected to be more mature, even though the juniors and seniors still look at them with little respect.

Usually sophomore year is highlighted with getting that prized license and maybe even a car. This year however, the sophomores should normally get their license had a new law to abide by. The new law does not allow them to receive a permanent license. First they must get a restricted license which only allows them to drive to and from work and school, or with a parent.

Despite many obstacles, sophomores managed to make it through and are looking forward to next year, where they will finally reach upperclassman status and earn the right to annoy the underclassmen.



Class of 2000



"I would rule the school and put terror into the hearts of freshmen."

- Julie Cassani

"I would sleep in chemistry class because that's what they do."

- John Hill

"Graduate!"

- Amberly Boulrier

"Get out of school two weeks early."

- Jared Cavis

"I would be a T.A."

- Bobbi Jo Butlin

*If you could
be a senior
for a day,
what would
you do?*

"Drive to school."

- Paul Marcoux

"I would go to government class because I love history."

- Heather Coomer

"I would drive to Port Huron everyday for lunch."

- Tom Fountain

"Organize a senior skip day."

- Kyle Estrada

"Party, Party, Party!"

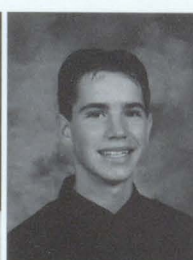
- Patrick O'Grady

"Give a freshman a swirlie."

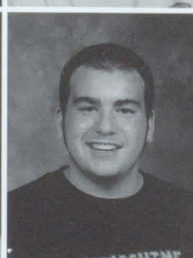
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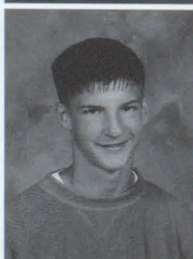
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Amberly Boulrier
Jeremy Brenner
Thomas Brinker
Andrea Browning



David Brunhuber
Kathleen Buckland
Bobbi Jo Butlin
Teri Buzzard
Colleen Card
Julie Cassani





"I hit a tree with my bike in front of a group of guys."

- Gretchen Heinrich

"I fell down the stairs at the mall."

- Teri Buzzard



"Was rejected when I asked a girl out."

- Jon McCulloch

"I was bowling and trying to act cool when I slipped and fell causing the ball to fly backwards."

- Kelly Jefferson

Most embarrassing moment in front of the opposite sex?

"Turned my head the other way when I finally made eye contact with the guy I liked."

- Liz Rattee

"I ran into a tree playing football while trying to show off for a group of girls."

- Doug Werder

"I had my pants pulled down during gym class in 8th grade."

- Anonymous

"My feet got in the way and I tripped."

- Gwen Gilbert



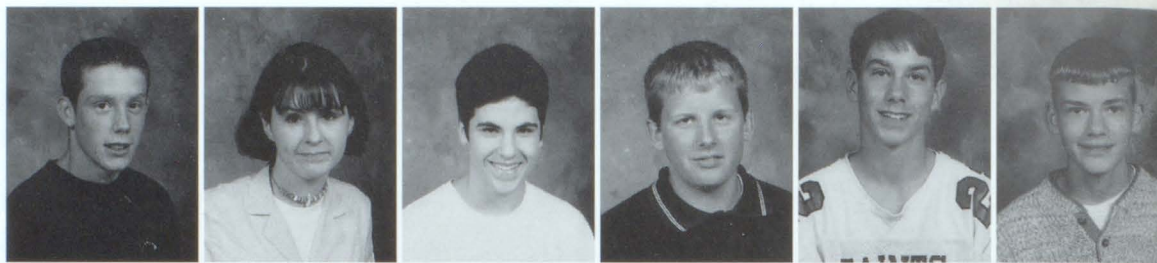
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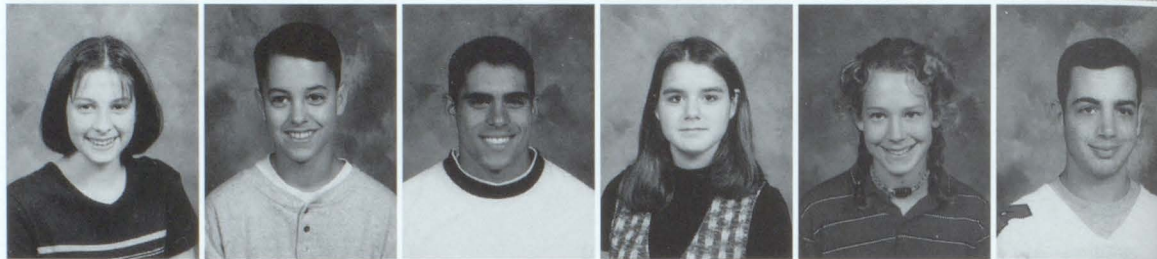
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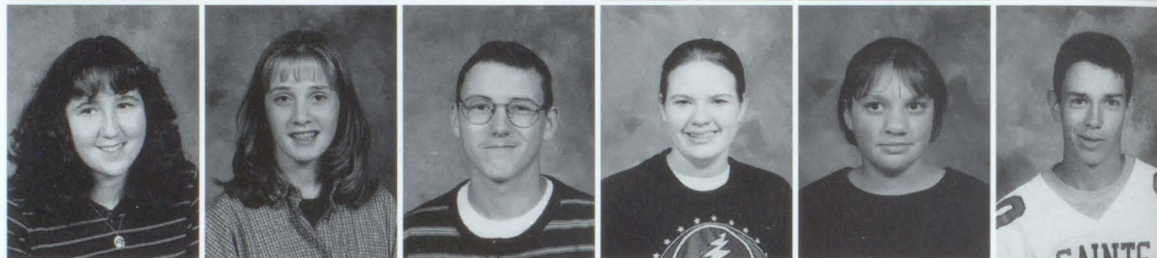
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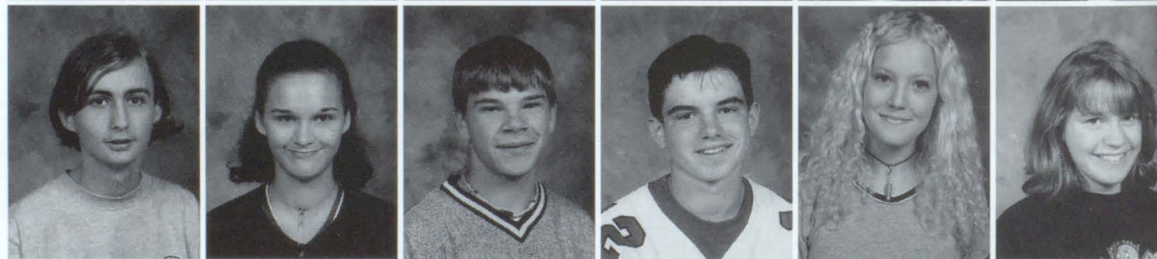
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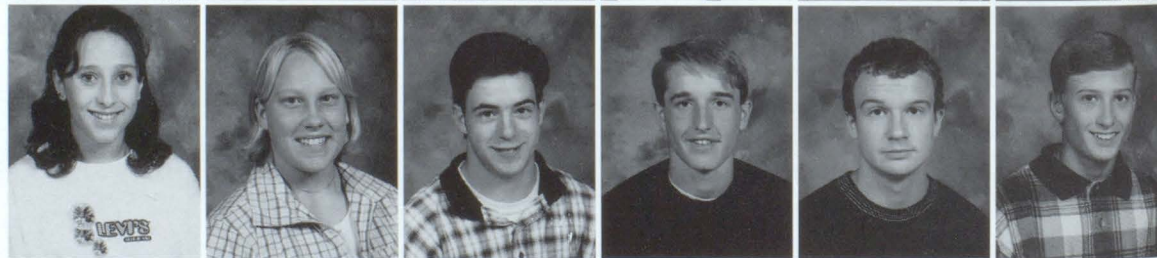
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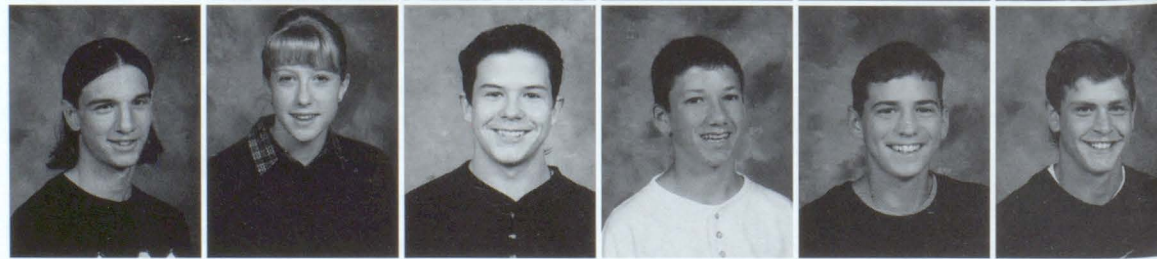
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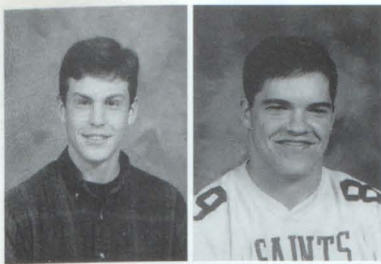


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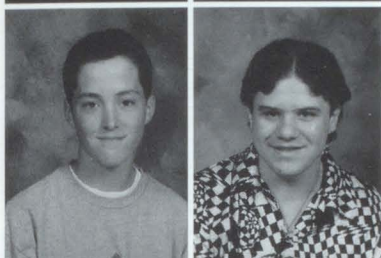




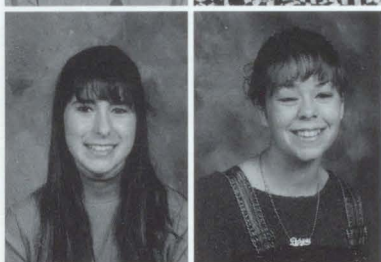
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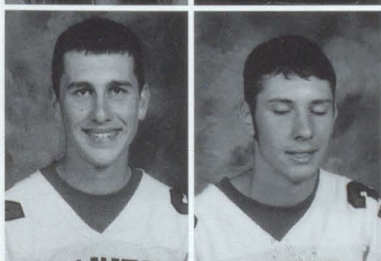
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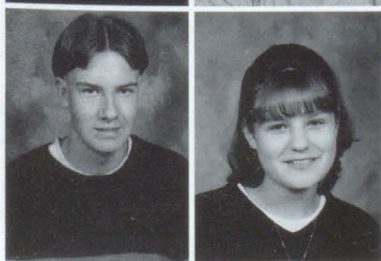
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Joshua Kennedy
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What is your favorite piece of furniture?

"A Lazy-Boy chair because it is the most comfortable to watch T.V. in."

- Becky Fraley

"A desk because it enables me to do my homework."

- Sara Hillier

"A rocking chair because you can rock yourself to sleep in it."

- Jessica Heileman

"My bed because I love to sleep."

- Laura Keely

"A director's chair because it gives me the power I thrive on."

- Armen Hratchian

"A massaging chair because it helps me relax after a hard day of watching T.V."

- Anonymous





What is your favorite day of the week?

"I love every day that I get to see my girlfriend."

- Jim Toepel

"Saturday, because My Anime is on the Sci-Fi channel."

- Emily Dowd

"Monday, because I just love coming to school."

- Matt Distelrath

"Wednesday, because I love the Drew Carey Show."

- Valerie Kelly

"Saturday, because I get out of work early."

- Brandon Robbins

"Thursday is the best because of Friends, Seinfeld and E.R."

- Renee Gavlinski

"Wednesday, because that means the week is half over."

- Tara Newsome

"Friday is the obvious answer to that question!"

- Brandon Avila



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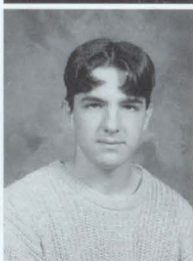
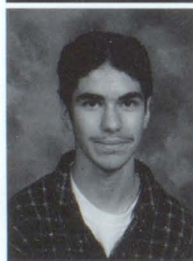
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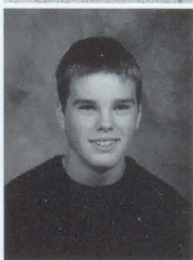
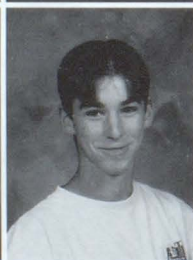
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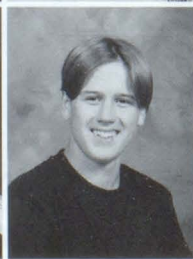
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Amanda Moore
 David Moran
 Paul Morgan
 Kimberly Morris
 Sharleen Morris
 Adam Muldermans

Chad Muldermans
 Michelle Nadasky
 Stephanie Nemeth
 Darin Newsome
 Tara Newsome
 Timothy Nicolai

Who do you admire and why?

"My mom because she is an independent woman."
- Derek Marchlewicz

"Dr. Seuss because he stuck to his dreams."
- Holly Cheslock

"I admire Bill Senavaitis because he can handle so much without having a mental breakdown."
- Dan Shirkey

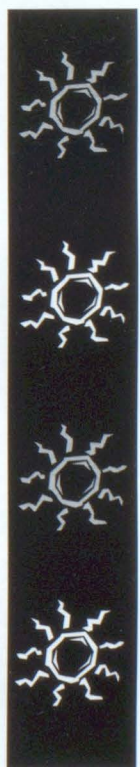
"My parents, for putting up with me and my attitude."
- Mary Louise Dominick

"Dennis Rodman because he doesn't care what people think about him."
- Noel Lucht

"Booker T. Washington because he was a great leader (and he has a wrestler named after him)."
- Mike Enders

"The Beatles because they are the coolest band of all time."
- Jon Eifert

"Prince, he is my hero."
- Matt Karas





In what way has high school changed your life?

"It has caused me to focus on my goals."

-Steve Stockwell

"It actually makes me get up before noon."

- Darin Newsome

"I'm more tired during the day."

- Angela Montalto

"It allows me to see how ignorant and immature people can be so I can learn from their mistakes."

- Candice Lukasak

"It has made me more willing to speak my mind."

- David Brunhuber

"It taught me to be more organized and how to be on time."

- Erik Zimmerman

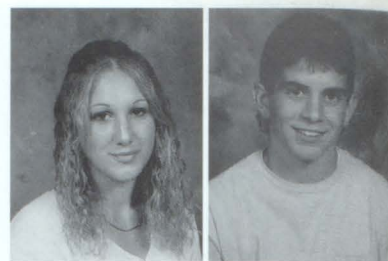
"It made me realize the importance of a great education."

- Erin Sims

"It made me more smarts."

- Jeremy Ingles

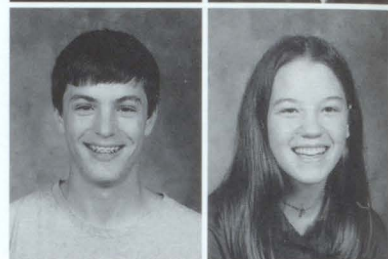
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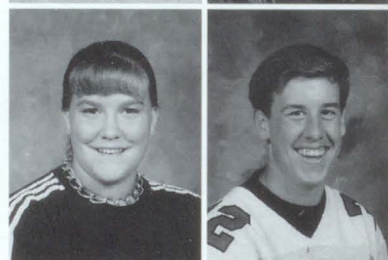
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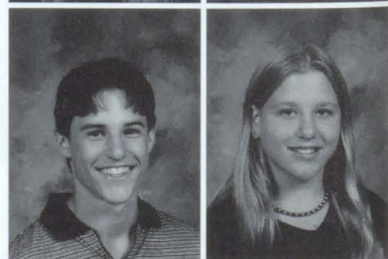
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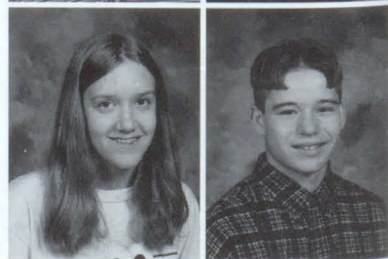
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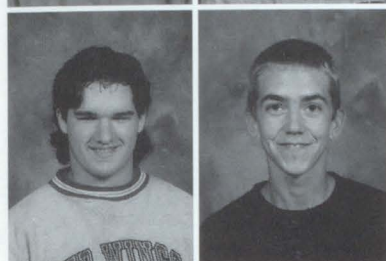




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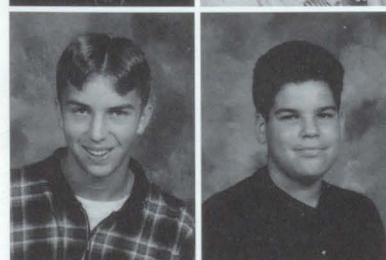
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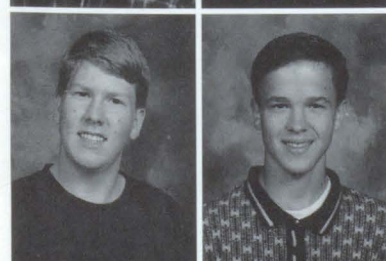
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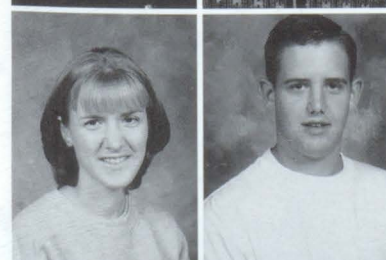
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Jonathon Schmidt
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Kelly Schneider
William Schroeder



*What would you
do if you won a million
dollars but couldn't
spend it on yourself?*

*"Spend it on my friends and then borrow all
of their stuff."*

- Elaine Heier

"Give it to those who help the world's hungry."

- Jason McAtamney

"Spend it on my girlfriend."

-Dustin Walker

*"Spend it on my mom. I would give her the
world if I could."*

- Jennie Dexter

*"I would donate it to yearbook so we could get
a phone line and a refridgerator."*

- Colleen Card

"I would buy everyone in the world a puppy."

- Brian Psciuk

*"I'd establish a scholarship fund so that more
kids can go to college."*

- Suzi Grafton

"I would donate it to medical research."

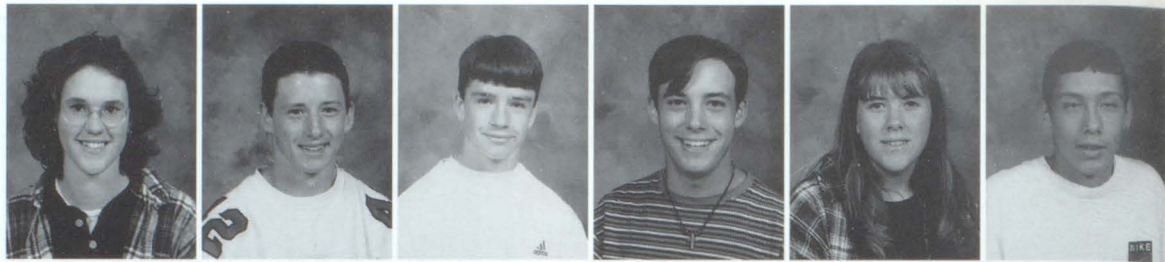
- Brianne DeMara

"Burn it."

- Dave Moran



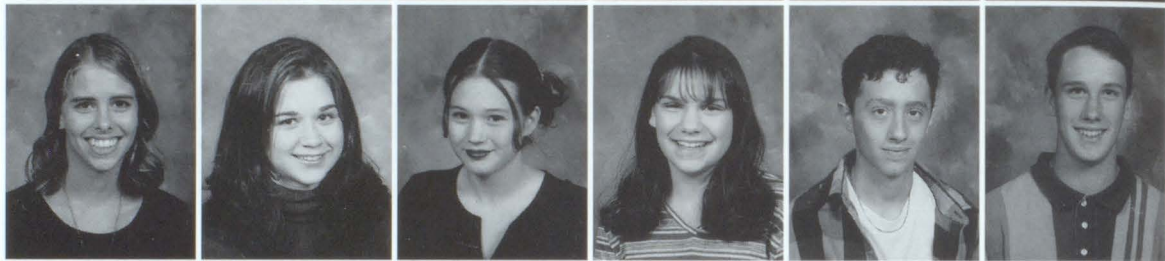
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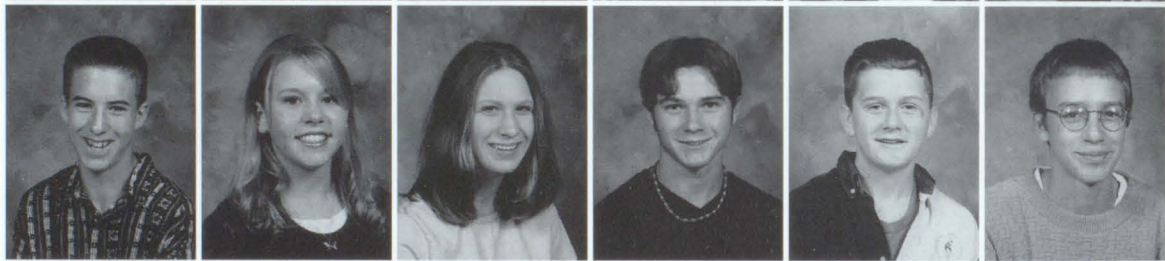
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Sara Strach
Steven Sturza
Edwin Summers
Bart Teltow



James Toepel
Melissa Treppa
Matthew Trombley
Nathan Troy
Sarah VanPelt
Kevin Vegailla



*How do
you get the
car from your
parents for
the night?*

*"I have my own car so I
don't have to worry
about it."*

- Jenny Patterson

*"I just ask and it's usu-
ally not a problem."*

- Sarah Priebe

"Bribery."

- Joanie Shurkey

*"I simply take it when
they are not home."*

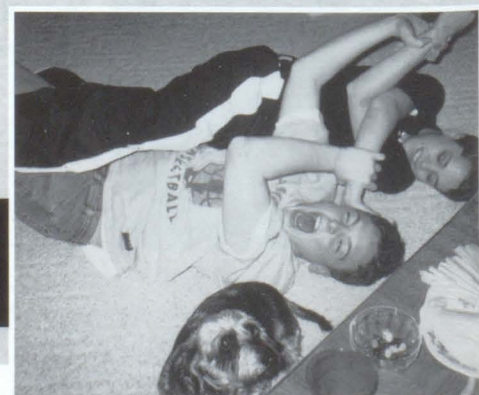
- Nicole Stokes

"I don't drive."

- Kelly Langmesser

*"I offer to run errands
or drive my younger sib-
lings around."*

- Melissa Treppa



People



"Offer to fill it up with gas and wash it."

- Rob Hamilton

"Tell them they won't have to pick me up afterwards - we live in the country."

- Kory Brooks

"I wish I had that problem, I can't drive."

- Brian Stein



"I'll pay you."

- Chad Muldermans

"I tie them up and steal the keys."

- Anonymous

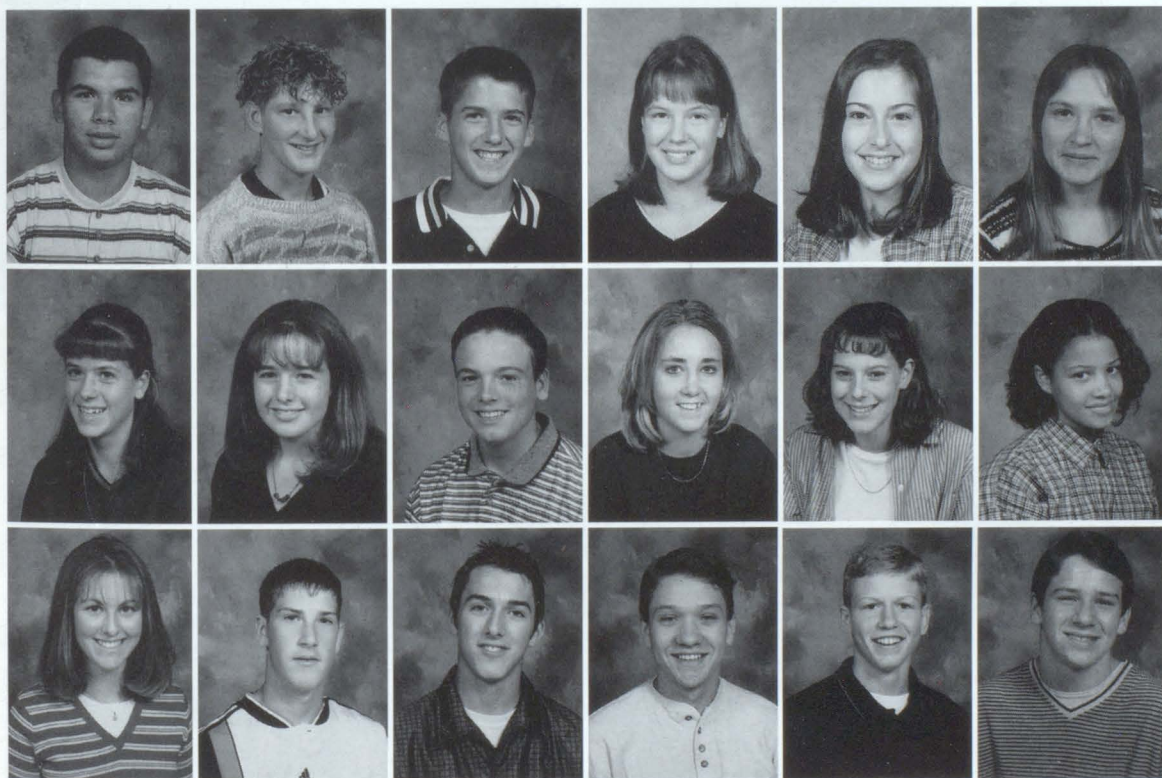
"By saying I hardly ever ask, so could I please have the keys?"

- Anonymous

"I beg and plead."

- Dawn Weisel

How do you get the car from your parents for the night?



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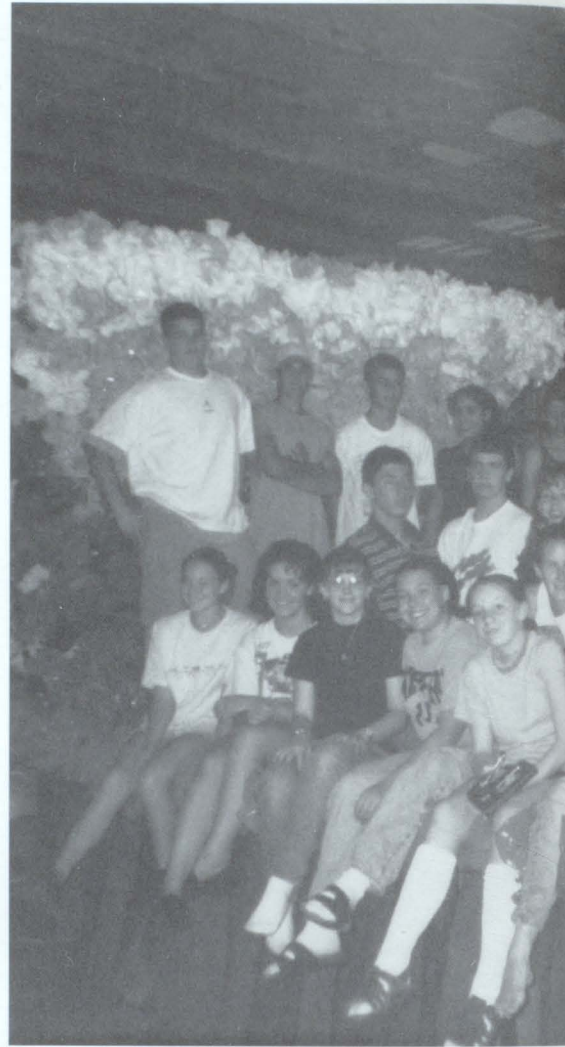
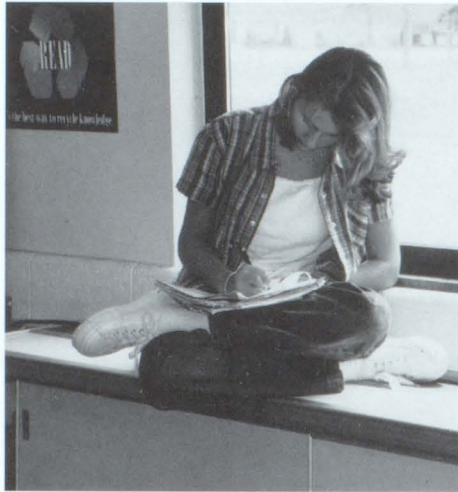
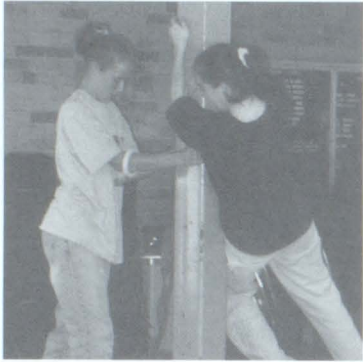
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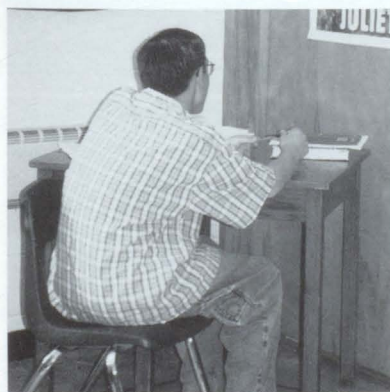


Class of 2001

Becoming a freshman is a very exciting, and sometimes nerve-racking, experience. Moving from middle school to high school brings about many changes, including a faster pace, more homework, and a developing social life.

Many freshmen get lost in the hustle and bustle of the overcrowded hallways of SCHS. "At first I was worried that the upperclassmen would run me over in the hallway," stated Brett Currier. After a few weeks of being pushed and shoved through the halls, most freshmen adjust and begin holding their own in the five minute battle between classes.

By the time second semester rolls around, freshman have established themselves as an integral part of the student population. Whether involved in athletics, drama, or student council, this year's freshman class has had a positive impact on the student body at SCHS.



Class of 2001



"I participate in spirit weeks."

- Stefanie Minano

"I wear school colors."

- Katie Digan

"I don't get too involved."

- Deanna Kostiuk

"I'm a cheerleader."

- Jen Kuzera

"I joined a lot of sports."

- Emily Scarlavai

"I go to games and dances."

- Michelle Koehn

How do

you express

your school

spirit?

"I participate in SADD and I go to sports games to cheer on the Saints!"

- Patty Muller

"I show up and participate."

- Becky Collison

"It isn't much, but I'm in Band and we definitely show our school spirit!"

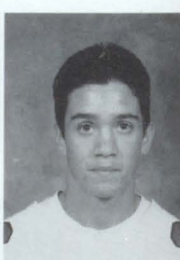
- Jennifer DeGraene

"I attended the float building parties and participated in Homecoming Week."

- Arianne Lemon



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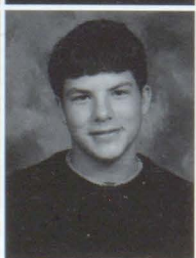
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Jennifer Bennett
Andrew Blackbird



Heather Blake
Steven Blake
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Leah Bolla
Sarah Bond
Desiree Botello





"I like to watch T.V. and eat food. Afterwards, I go to sleep."

- Anonymous

"Go home and relax."

- Bryan Pauly

"Go home and do homework right away."

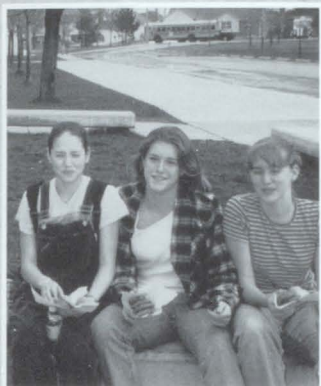
- Jonathan Seals

"Dance, preferably on the roof."

- Kristin Tyburski

"Train in the martial arts."

- Mike Gutowski



*What do
you like
to do after
school?*

"I go to track and then I usually do something with my friends or walk in the woods."

- Mandi Batts

"Watch Jerry Springer!"

- Jessica Moran

"I play my guitar and listen to music."

- Jenny McFadden

"Relax and maybe read a book or two."

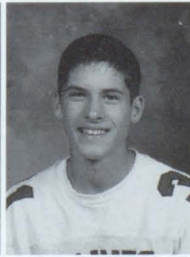
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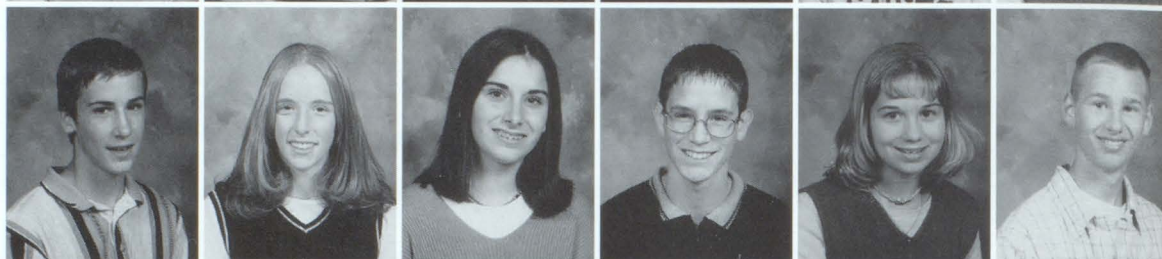


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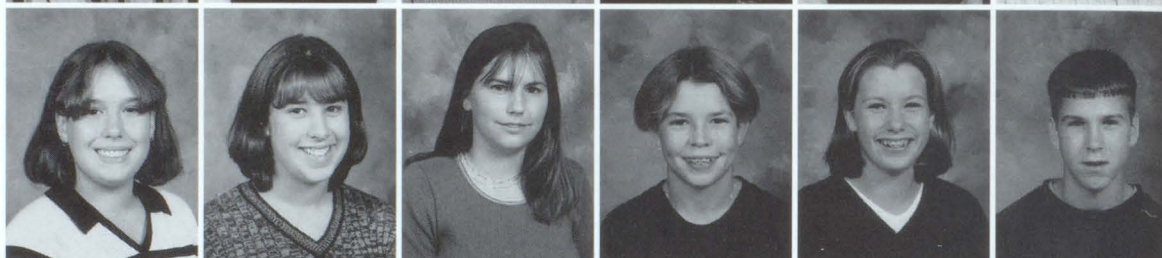
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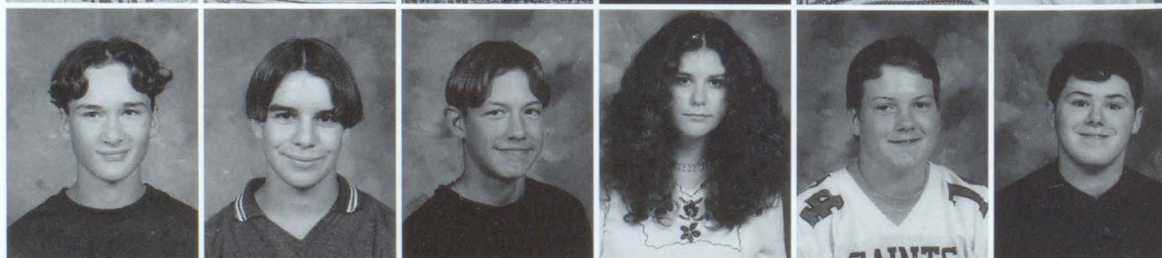
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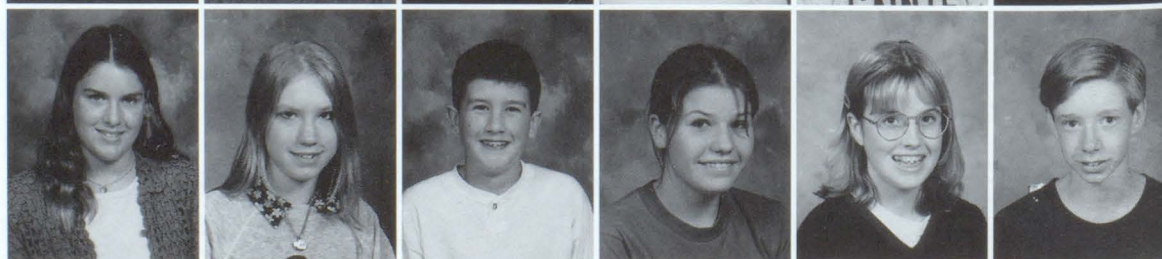
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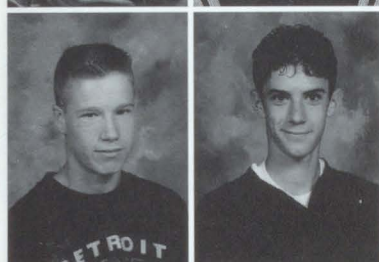
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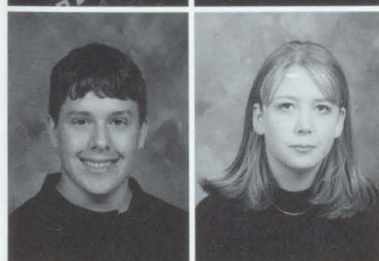
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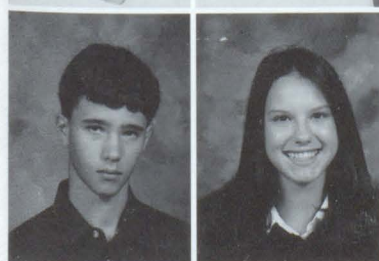
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In what ways do you express your individuality?

"I speak my mind and don't care what others think about what I have to say."

- Alan Leitz

"By the way I do my hair, dress, talk and use my creativity."

- Alisha Corden

"I dare to be different by expressing my opinion."

- Heather Blake

"I wear what I want and don't care what other people have to say about it."

- Nicole Jepson

"I try to be as unique as possible in everything I do and say."

- John Cook

"By being myself and not being afraid of whether or not people approve of what I do and say."

- Laine Fraley





How do upper-classmen treat you?

"Like I'm one of the family!"
- **Tim Schutter**

"The same as everyone else."
- **Melissa Gauthier**

"Fine, they accept me for who I am."
- **Katie Lickwala**

"Like I'm the scum of the earth and immature."
- **Lindsey Andzejewski**

"Like a person who is younger than them."
- **Sarah Bond**

"Upper-classmen treat me very nice. I am friends with most of them."

- **Alana Schweihofner**

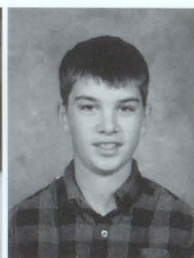
"The upper-classmen treat me with respect but also tease me in nice ways sometimes."
- **Jennifer Oles**

"Good, but some people make fun of me jokingly."
- **Kara Leverence**

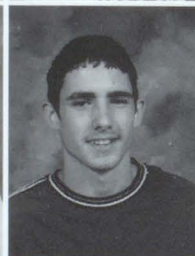
"Like I'm someone, just like everyone else."
- **Ryan Cooper**



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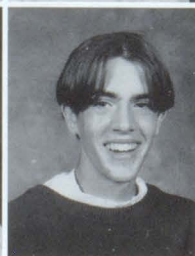
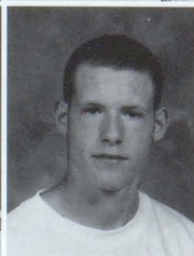
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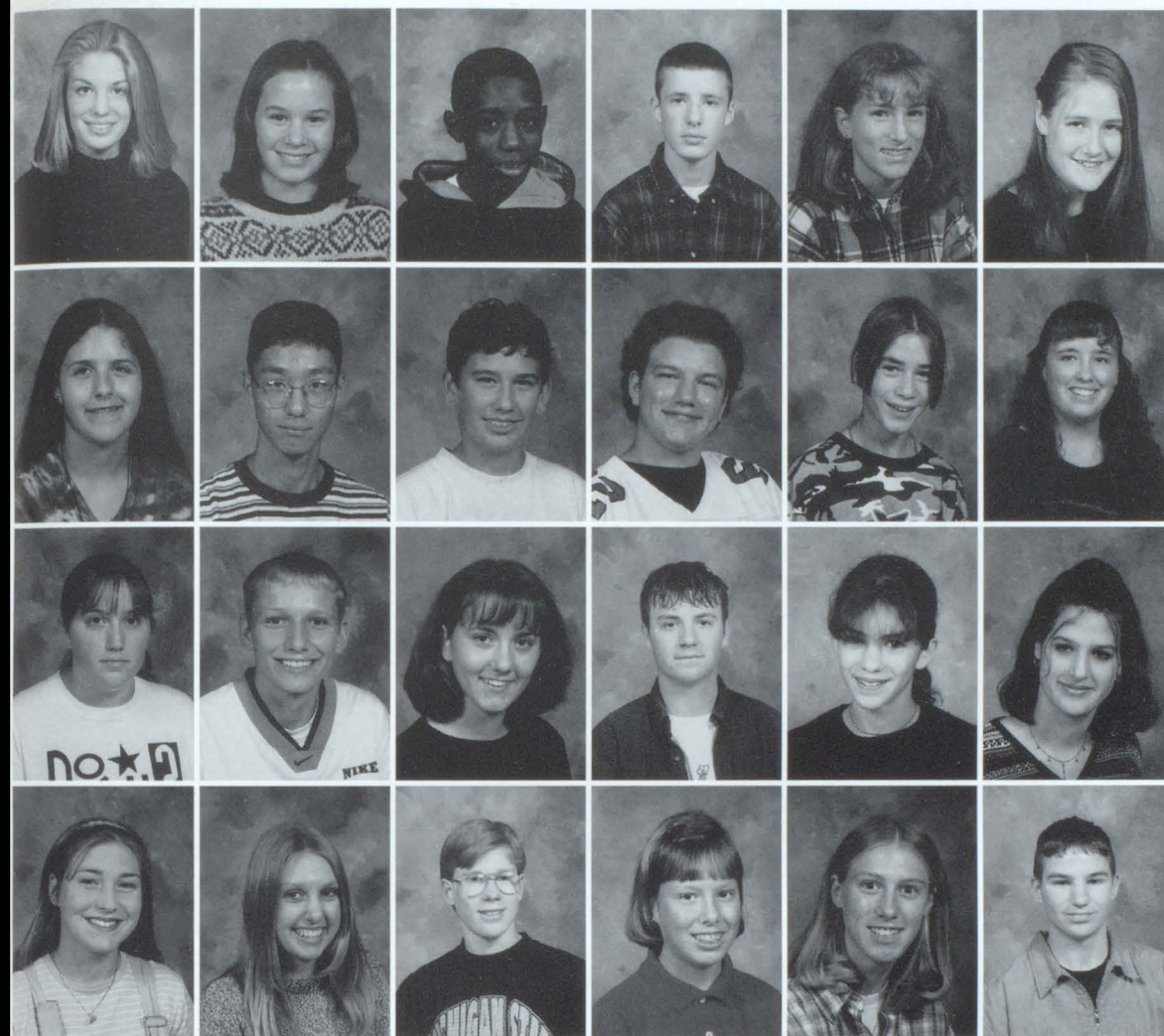


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Kevin Marciniak





Amber Mareski
Tanya Markel
Eleazar McAfee
Paul McAlpine
Andrea McCarty
Sarah McDonald

Jennifer McFadden
John McLellan
Timothy McLeod
James McQueary
Jacob Meisel
Jennifer Meno

Kathryn Metheny
Matthew Mihelic
Stefanie Minano
Ronald Mitchell
Meghan Moore
Jessica Moran

Patricia Muller
Jennifer Novak
Philip Oleksiak
Jennifer Oles
Rhonda Osterland
Bryan Pauly

What are your career aspirations?

"I have no idea. I do plan to go to college though."

- Katie Kulczewski

"I'm not sure yet, I just know I want to be rich!"

- Katie Daniels

"I plan to be an FBI agent and hunt the bad people down!"

- Beth Szymanski

"I love kids, so I plan to be a pre-school teacher."

- Amy Zobl

"Planes have always amazed me, so I want to be in the Air Force."

- Kyle Stowell

"Upholding the law seems fun, so I want to be a policewoman."

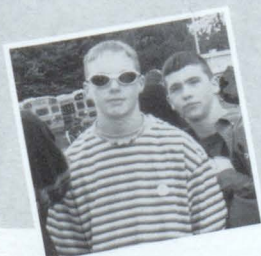
- Jennifer Holland

"A pediatrician is what I plan to be."

- Katie Digan

"I plan to become the owner of Cedar Point."

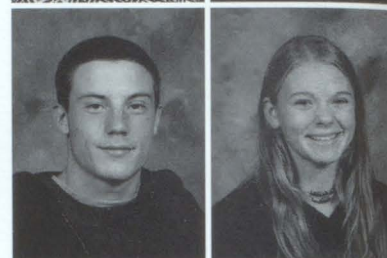
- Tim McLeod



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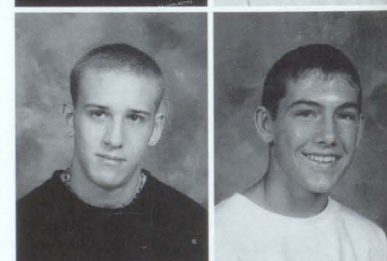
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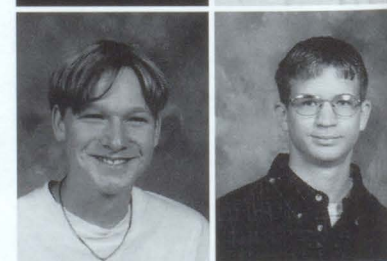
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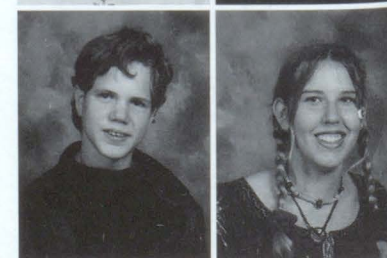
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Charles Raymond



Darren Reaume
Joseph Resar



Jason Rohn
Heidi Roskey



Where is your favorite place to go for lunch?

"I like to sit on the heater in the cafeteria."
- Amy Douglass

"I enjoy the taste of french fries from McDonald's."
- Patty Muller

"My friends and I go to OJ's because we get a variety of either pizza or bagels."
- Steve Blake

"We go wherever the person driving wants to go, we're just grateful to leave the building."
- Jenny Suessine

"A cramped table in the lunch room to eat Taco Bell."
- Matt Schwieger

"Hungry Howies has the best pizza in town, in my opinion, so we go there."
- Danielle Sayers

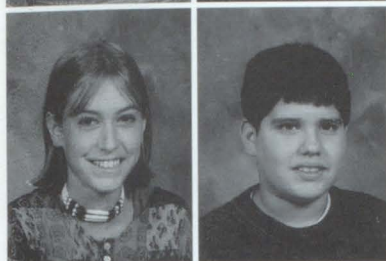
"I only live two blocks away so I go home."
- Cathy Drolz

"My friends and I sit outside for lunch when the weather is nice."
- Kelly Tuohy

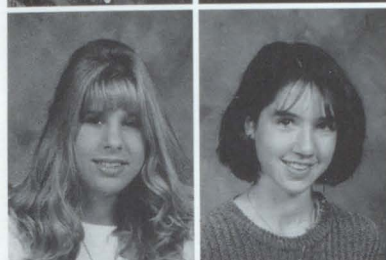




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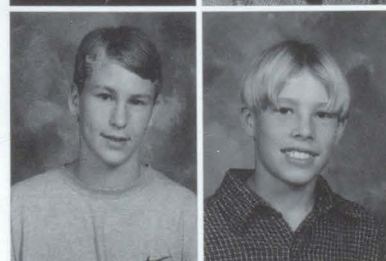
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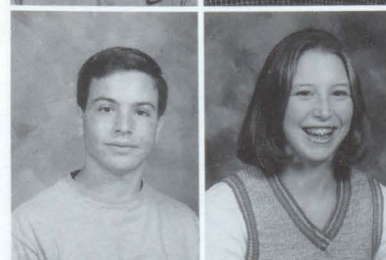
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Danielle Sayers*



*Emily Scarlavai
Jennifer Schlaps*



*Mark Schmidt
Timothy Schutter*



*Aaron Schwehofer
Alana Schwehofer*



*Matthew Schwieger
Jonathan Seals*



How do you feel about going to the tanning booth?

"They are claustrophobic cancer boxes and I would never get into one."

- Brett Currier

"Do you have any wrinkles or cancer spots yet? Well, you will if you go to one of those things!"

- Heather Blake

"Yuck! It's like frying your insides."

-Carmen Spitale

"If you like to shake-n-bake it's a great place to go."

- Buddy Avila

"They make people look like burnt barbie dolls."

- Shawn Kelly

"I think they're pointless, just wait for summer and go to the beach."

- Kevin Burns

"I really need to go to one! I think I'm the palest person in the school."

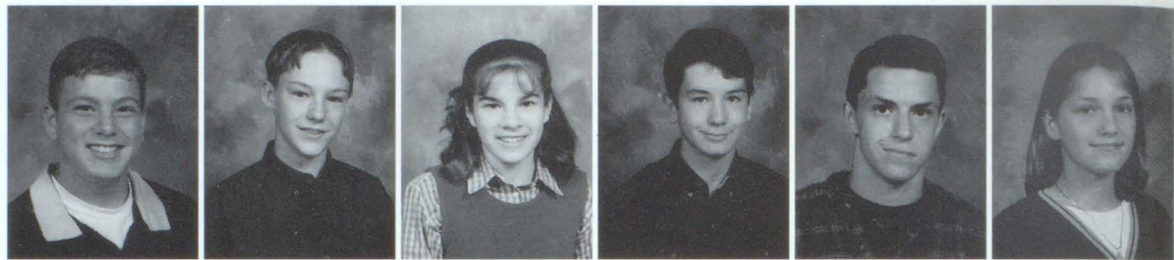
- Megan Davis

"I love tanning booths. In fact, I have one in my house."

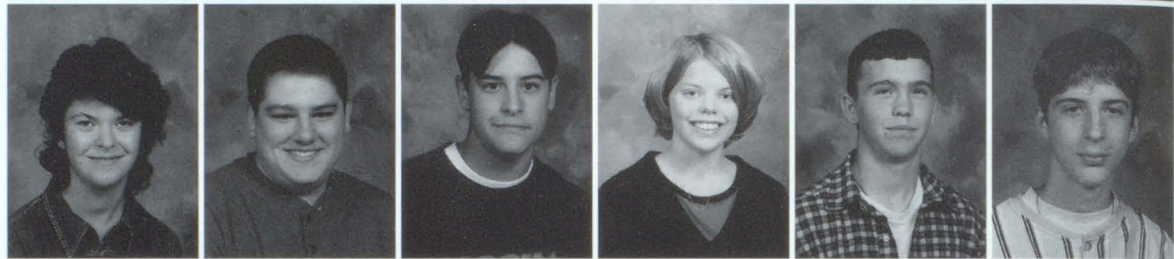
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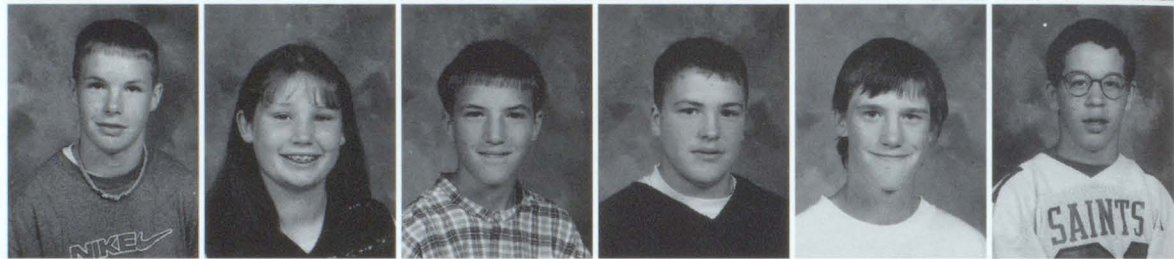
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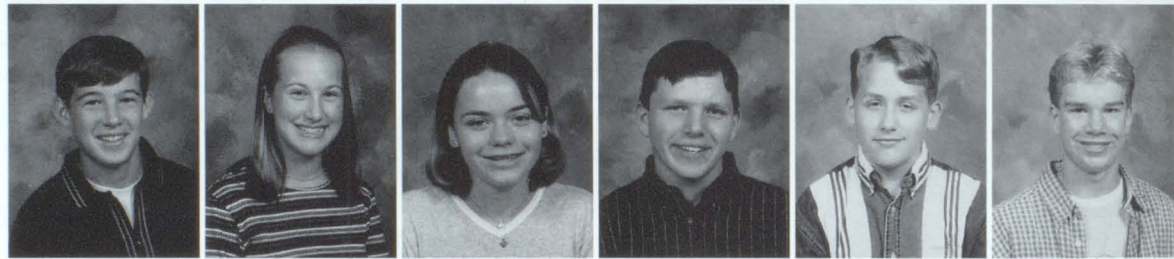
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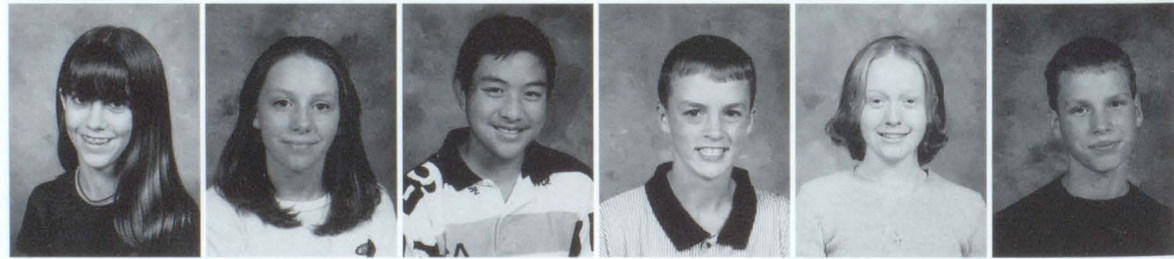
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Kelly Symons
 Elizabeth Szymanski
 Christopher Tansuche
 Joshua Tebeau
 Laraine Truiett
 Jacob Tucker



*How do
 you manage
 dating
 without a
 license?*

"I can't date, but I see my
 boyfriend at school."
 - Jennifer Holland

"We meet after school
 somewhere."
 - Mandi Batts

"My own two legs and my
 bike."
 - Carmen Spitale

"I have an older girl-
 friend that drives."
 - John Cook

"Date? I can't get a date!"
 - Anonymous

"I'd rather not touch that
 one."
 - Dave Alley



People



"I hope the guys grow up physically, mentally and emotionally."

- Anonymous

"We need more activities for girls at this school."

- Kim Diller

"Longer lunch, more room and bigger lockers."

- Desiree Botello

"Pass the Bond Issue!"

- Matt Mihelic

"A different lunch idea."

- Tanya Markel

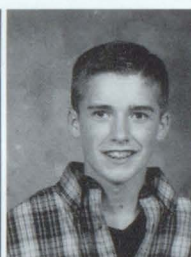
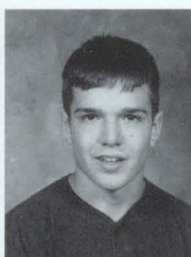
"Bathrooms that actually work and are clean."

- Lindsey Mackley

"More food choices in the cafeteria."

- Clay Distelrath

What changes would you like to see at SCHS?



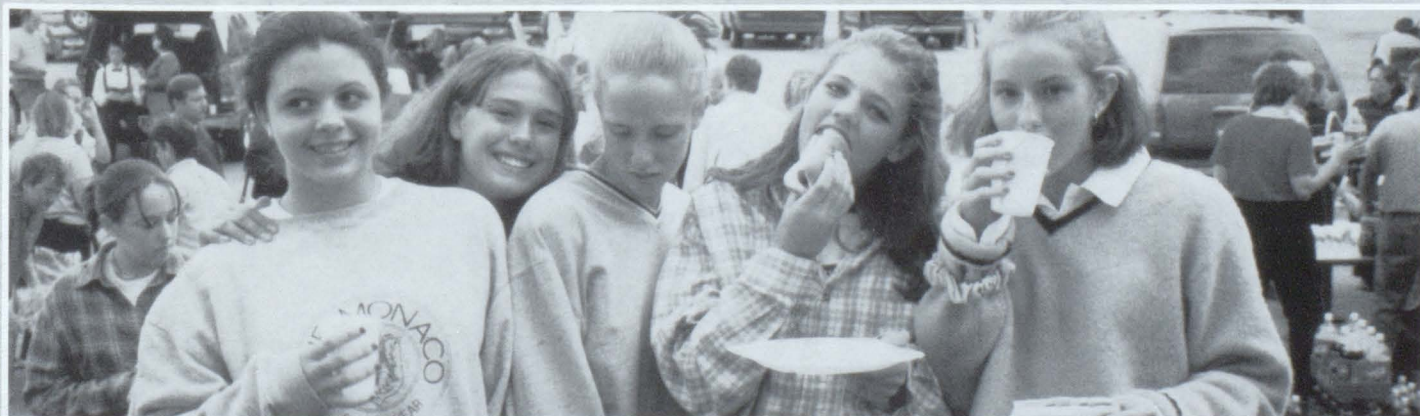
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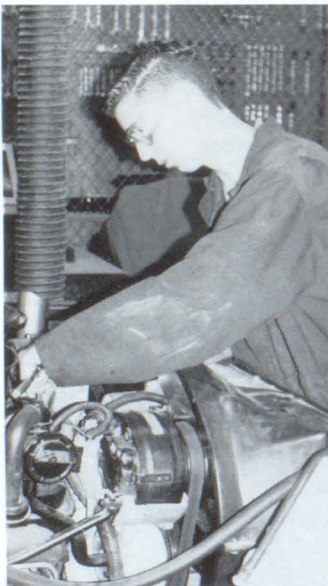


Daryl Wcisel
Michael Westrick
Melissa Woodman
Noel Zacharias
Randy Zaremba
Amy Zobl

Not Pictured:

Tahereh Jewell & Brooke Colvin







Academics



Although many students are tempted to sleep in class or daydream about a far away place, students at SCHS are often snapped back into reality by the sound of a teacher's voice or a tap on the head.

Having Mr. Mallwitz first hour reduces the opportunity for students to take a nap. "He is a psycho, he runs around the class, screaming all hour long." replies Alexa Hollweg. Mal is just one of the many teachers to demonstrate the ability to educate while still having fun. The foreign language classes are famous for implementing the "fly swatter game" in order to learn new vocab.

Keeping learning exciting is a challenge for all teachers. The results of their efforts are the many creative activities which take place throughout the school year. A few of these include t-shirt tie-dying, coffee houses for poetry presentations, and pictionary.

Though some of us may dread copying notes from an overhead, teachers at SCHS come up with activities to keep us motivated and interested.



Mr. Rose juggles administrative duties in his office.

You can often find Mrs. Zoeplitz busily working on her computer.



Mrs. Mead works busily while on the phone.

Working happily, Mrs. Higgins chews on a pen.



Looking for help

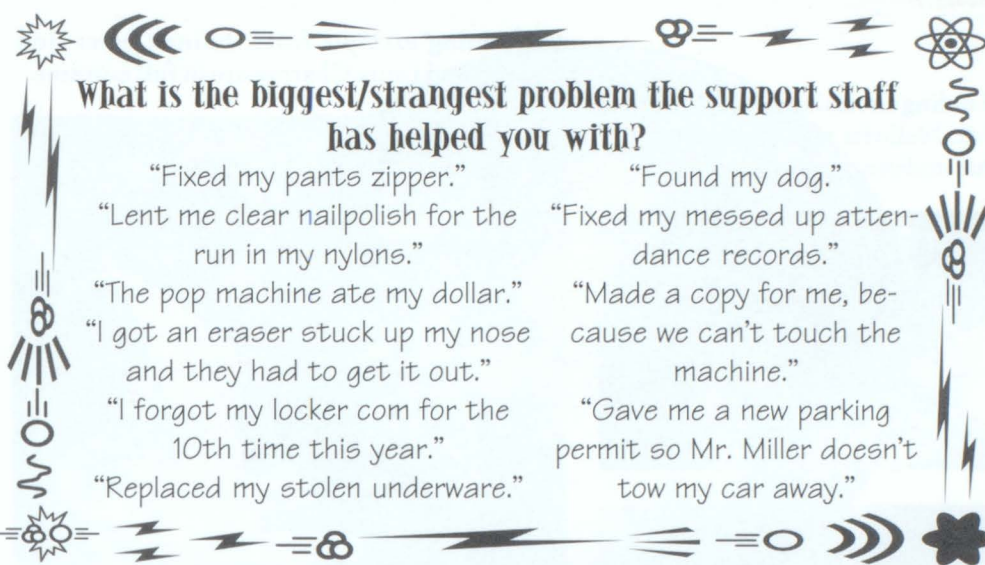
Without the help of all of the secretaries, custodians, counselors and other support staff members, we would often find ourselves unable to function. We don't realize how much of a role they play in our everyday lives. Whether it's talking to Mrs. Rinehart about your attendance issues, Mr. Daniels about your jammed locker, or Mrs. Badley about an internet mishap or overdue book, the support staff is always there to get us out of a jam and help our day run smoothly.

"Hey, isn't that the lunch aide?" "Hey, isn't that the librarian aide?" Mrs. Kingsbury, the lunch and librarian aide, says, "I get asked some weird questions." Here is a sample of just a few of the weird and unusual questions she gets asked, "How much do you make?", "Do you like doing this job in the lunchroom?" She says, "Most of the students in the cafeteria can be very nice but others can be very loud."

Where's Mr. Miller? Have you ever caught yourself asking that question? His job often takes him on many adventures at St. Clair High School. From walking through the Pit, or helping out at daily sporting events, Mr. Miller can be found at school from morning to night. Mrs. Durham agrees. "At least 25 times a day I get asked, 'Where's Mr. Miller?'"

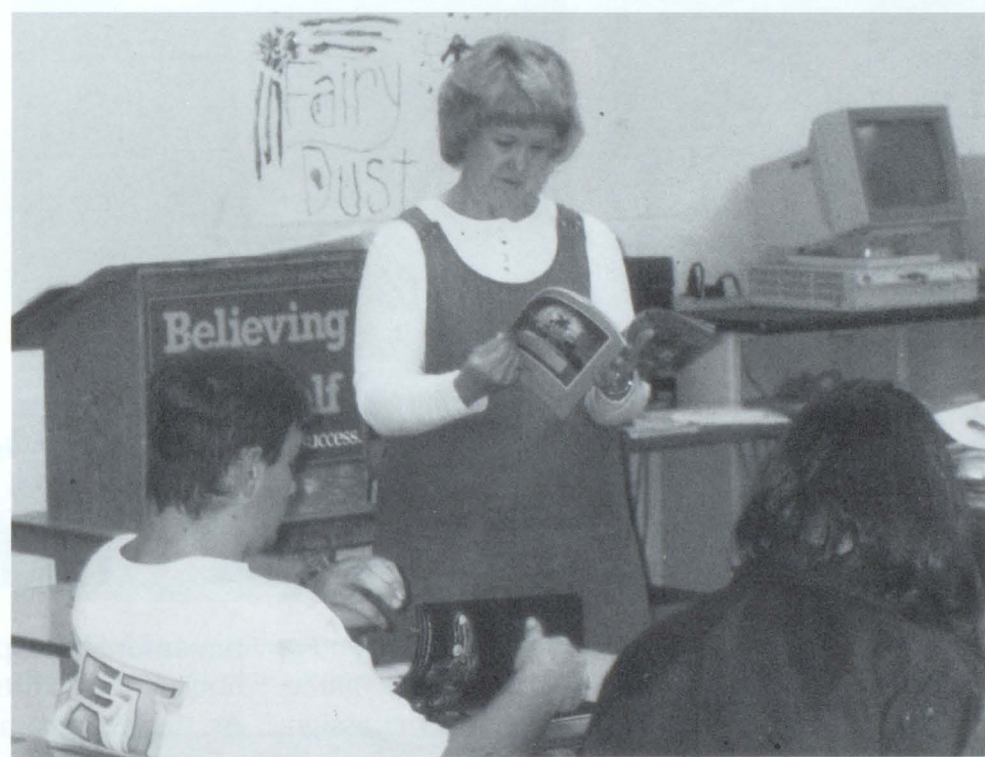
Ring, ring, ring... "Do we have school today?" That is the weirdest question Mrs. Mead, in the office, gets asked. "In January, after three snowflakes have fallen, I get a call by someone wanting to know if there is school."

These friendly individuals are here everyday of the school year and quite a few days during the summer, helping us out no matter what circumstances may arise. They support us in everything we do, give us a pat on the back or an applause for no reason at all. Without them, our school would not function.



What is the biggest/strangest problem the support staff has helped you with?

- "Fixed my pants zipper."
- "Found my dog."
- "Lent me clear nailpolish for the run in my nylons."
- "Fixed my messed up attendance records."
- "The pop machine ate my dollar."
- "Made a copy for me, because we can't touch the machine."
- "I got an eraser stuck up my nose and they had to get it out."
- "Gave me a new parking permit so Mr. Miller doesn't tow my car away."
- "I forgot my locker com for the 10th time this year."
- "Replaced my stolen underwear."



Searching for pictures, Mrs. Schunk helps out her students.

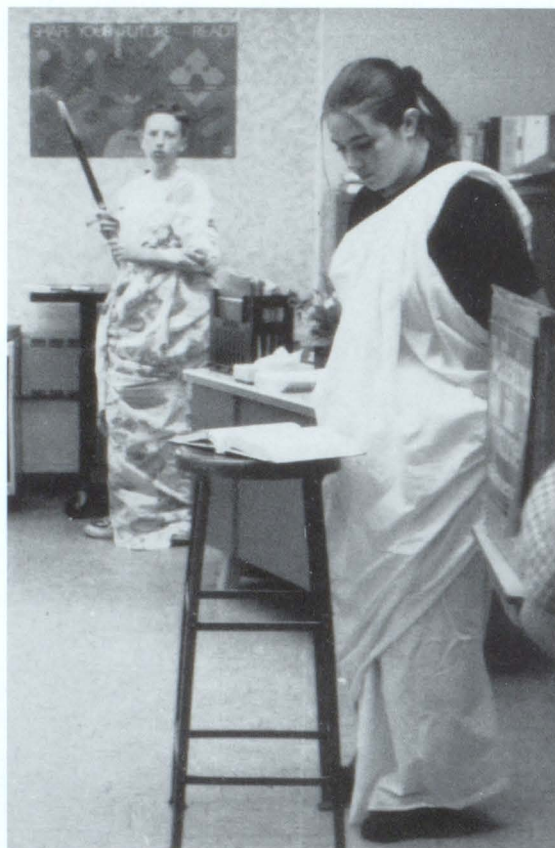
New to the building this year, custodian Denise Achatz sweeps up the entrance to the lunch line.

Mrs. Kups double checks her paper work to make sure it's correct.

Leading discussion in his AP Lit class, Mr. Mallwitz manages to entertain his students.



Performing excerpts from *Julius Ceaser*, Jon Cobean and Laura Charron are in full costume.



Literature and Composition, English, Speech, Yearbook, AP British and Western Literature

★ ★ *Looking for Cliffnotes*

It's a beautiful, sunny May afternoon and you're outside rollerblading or watching a baseball game. You have decided that your paper or reading assignment can wait until after dinner...or the morning... or tomorrow during lunch. All SCHS students find themselves in this situation as the weather turns nicer and English classes continue to pile on the work.

SCHS requires all students to take four full years of English in order to graduate. During those four years, students learn the fundamental skills of writing, are exposed to classical literature, such as *Romeo and Juliet*, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* and *Frankenstein*. They also learn how to prepare and present a speech to a large group of people.

English teachers use many fun and creative activities to present literature and teach the writing process. Students have been seen walking the halls draped in paper and bedsheets as they prepared cos-

tumes for Shakespearean performances. Coffee houses and crafted t-shirts were used as ways to discuss poetry. As the year came to an end, computers were at a premium as seniors scrambled to complete their anthologies.

Speech class brought about several displays of individuality. From Joe Schwehofer "cleaning" a duck, to Jenny Schulte giving Ryan Beiwer a complete make-over, demonstration speeches seemed to be a favorite among students. News casts, commercials and documentaries were also fun for students to create, and taught the basics of on camera speaking.

When SCHS students think English, not only do they think four credits, they also think about the creative activities and fun projects they did over the years. From papers, classic novels, and anthologies, to CPR speeches and Greek acting, english isn't just about writing essays anymore.



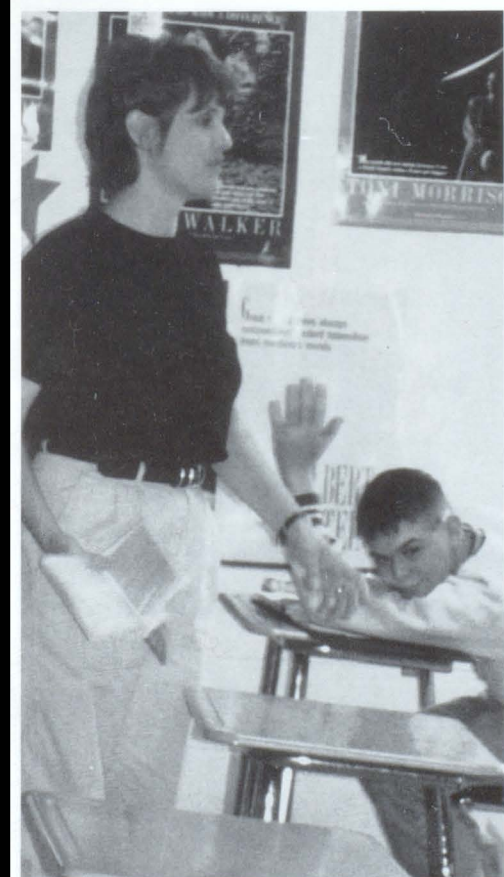


Junior, Maureen Carter, focuses on her timed essay.



Frustrated with her poetry project Nicole Jepsen seeks out the the assistance of her teacher, Miss Jones.

Exchange student, Elsa Fuentes, gets help from Miss Famiano.



Mrs. Eberhard discusses *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* with her Lit/Comp II students.

THE *Write* Stuff

What is the most bizarre topic you ever wrote about for an English Paper?

"Belly Button Lint."

"Falling asleep in the sun."

"The Jelly Belly flavor I am most like and why."

"How I wish I could live in a shoe."

"Pushing a dime up my nose."

"How to make a PB&J cracker."

"I try not to think about English."

"Falling out of a roller coaster."

"Knocking over porta-johns."



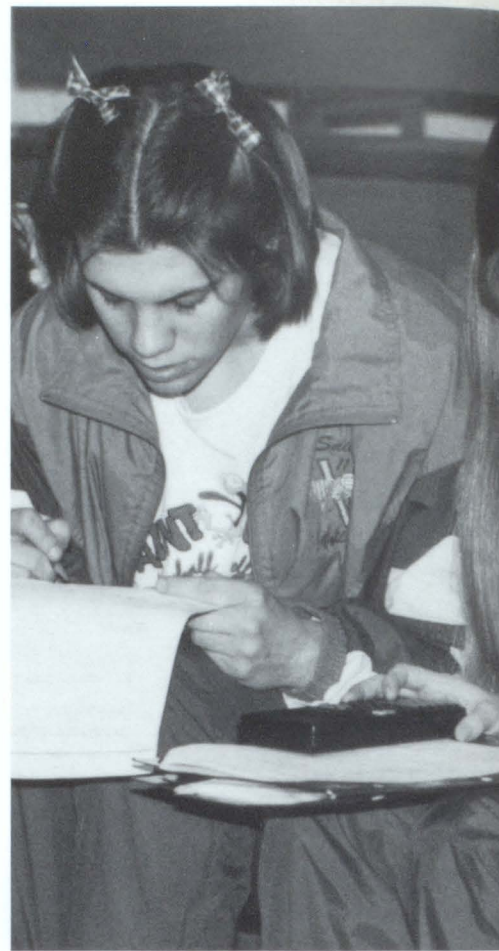
Merideth Carter shyly raises her hand to ask a question.



Working in the apple lab, Mike Westrick scrambles to finish before the bell.



While copying notes from the overhead, Gwen Gilbert, Pete Baciorowski and Melissa Meadows listen intently to Mr. Watson.



Testing a toothpick bridge, Mr. Diller adds more weight.

How would you explain the subject of mathematics to an alien?

"X₁Y₂Z₃Q₄R₅"

"Give it two candy bars, and then take away two."

"Numbers used to find answers to every day problems."

"Give it a math book."

"Run little alien person, run away as fast as you can!"

"Go down to the math wing and ask for help."

"Tell it to find someone else to ask, because I have no clue."

"A lot of complex thought."

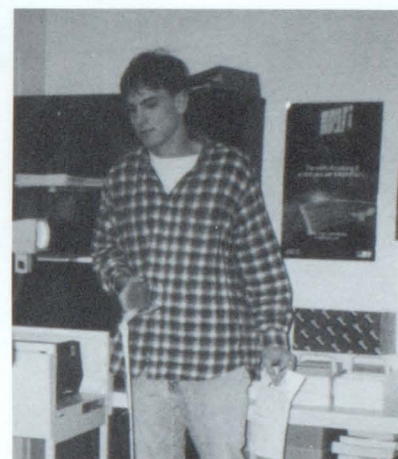
"It starts off with numbers and ends with letters."



Bree Campbell works to finish her calculus homework while Anna Stanley looks on.



Working hard, Mary Buckland and Bob Rettig finish the Algebra II worksheets.



Practical Math, Applied Math 1, Applied Math 2, Geometry, Algebra , Algebra 2, Pre-Calc, AP Calculus

★.....★ Looking for a Calculator

Math is a subject that has the power to turn the most patient person into a frustrated mess and the brightest smile into the darkest frown. It also has been known to make teachers jump out windows (no names mentioned Mr. Diller!) or to throw Jell-O at walls like Ms. Shafer has done.

Why does math do this? Part of the reason could be that while math is an important subject, it is not always exciting. In fact, once in a while, it can be downright boring. When this happens, Mike Enders confesses, "I look out the window at the gym classes going down to the track."

To help escape the boredom that math classes can sometimes create, teachers have come up with different projects to help students learn the material. Algebra students spend a week in the outdated Apple lab learning how to graph equations. They also make posters explaining how to solve story problems. The posters range from simple explanations to elaborate works of

art.

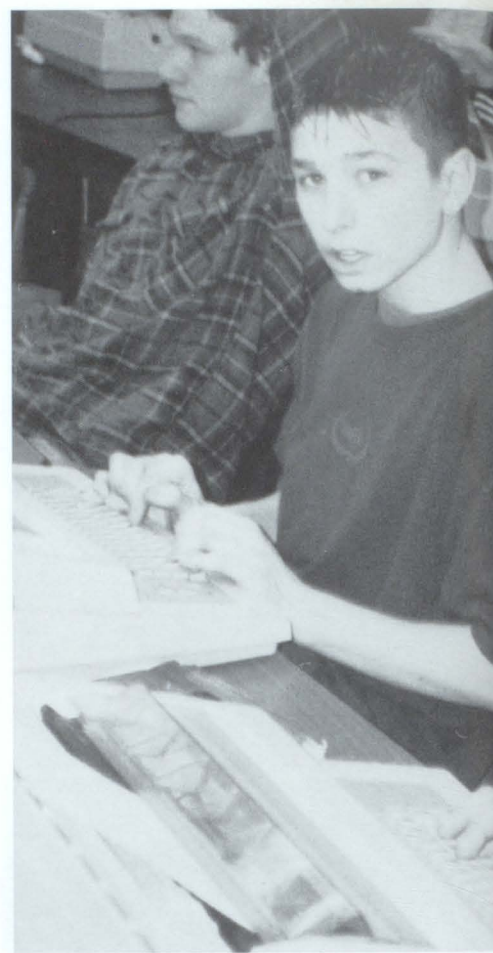
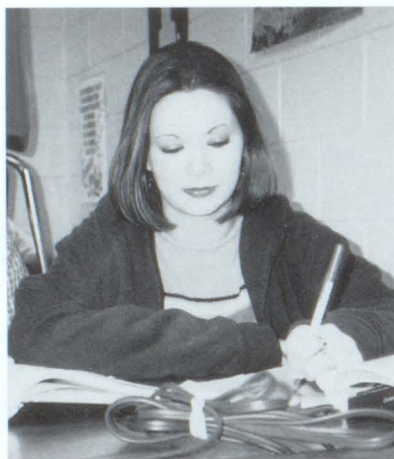
Geometry students construct bridges out of toothpicks and Elmers glue that must be between ten and fourteen inches long, weigh no more than 150 grams, and hold at least ten pounds. Amber Klecha found this out when her bridge collapsed instantly. At the end of the day, Dave Moran was declared the winner of this year's bridge building contest after his bridge held 48.8 pounds.

Ms. Piotrowski and Mr. Diller help their students apply Geometry to the real world by taking their students outside toward the end of the year. Students find the height of the gym and goal posts, the width of the Pine River and the area of the grass inside of the track.

Even though math classes are not always fascinating, as we quickly approach the twenty-first century, math classes are becoming more important to students' education. The skills and techniques that we learn will be applied throughout our lives, in any career we choose.

"F space, J space." Brett Currier and Matt Summers hit the keys precisely.

Junior speedwriter, Heather Schaft, perfects her symbols.



Keyboarding, Business and Personal Law, Marketing, Accounting, Communications in Business, Intro to Business

★ ★ **Back to Business**

The Business Department at St. Clair High School offers students a chance to get a taste of the "real world." Courses such as Intro to Business and Keyboarding teach us skills that will be used throughout our lives.

If you are looking to find a way to write your notes faster, Speedwriting and Study Skills is the class for you. This course is designed for juniors and seniors who plan on attending college and need to know the basics of speedy note-taking. Junior Heather Schaft commented, "Taking the Speedwriting class has allowed me to cut my note-taking time in half, as well as learn a new and unique way to write."

Business and Personal Law teaches minors about the rights that they have and what to watch out for in this "sue happy" society. The students presented mock trials on the stage in the cafeteria to give them a taste of what they were going to see

on a field trip to the courthouse. Each time the students prepared for the trip, it was cancelled due to dismissal of cases at the St. Clair County Courthouse. Finally, after weeks of anticipation and disappointment, a successful field trip was enjoyed by all.

Any student who has had the pure joy of taking Keyboarding with Mr. Tharrett, Mrs. Derrow or Mr. Barnes knows that wonderful high pitched sound of the typewriter beeping constantly as someone holds down the return key. Freshman Mike Seaman agrees, "Keyboarding didn't sound like such a fun class to take at first, but now it's not that bad and I can finally type."

The famous saying, "F space, J space," from keyboarding, the weekly outside assignments from Business Law and the many transactions from Accounting will not soon be forgotten. They will, however, pay off as we hurdle into the business oriented 21st century.





Accounting student, Jennifer Michalski, checks her balances.



Stop looking at your hands Brooke Colvin.

Recording a transaction, Gail Heir completes her accounting cycle.



Concentrating on her homework, Lisa Petrilla searches for an answer.

**listen
to
reason**

What is the most important thing you have learned in a business class?

"Never skip a night of homework because you think you are going to have a field trip the next day."

"How to balance a check-book."

"The rules of debit-credit."

"How to type."

"Everything about our legal system."

"How to write business letters and type one up."

"Don't get sued."



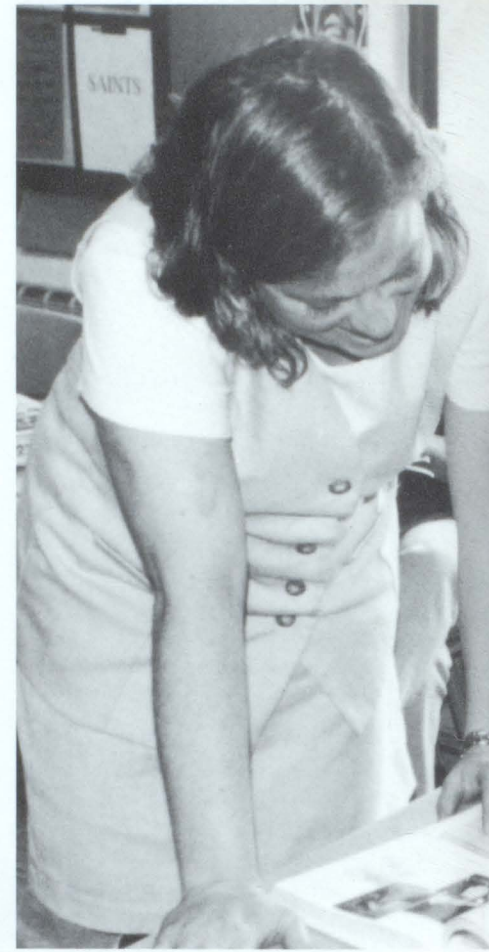
While Mr. Fox chases a football player, Adam Covington takes a break from history.



While researching, Bridgett Jeroue pauses for a photo.



Brandon Avila and **Michael** Enders sneak in a game of Battleship before they perform their history skit.



The M.C. for the history skits, Janien Distelrath, flashes back to the 60's.



Why do you think it's important to study history?

"Study? Who told you I studied?"

"So you don't answer '1875' when asked 'When was the war of 1812?'"

"Pete Fox teaches it."

"It helps us see the world as it was before we came into the picture."

"To prepare me for my day on Jeopardy."

"To learn about Larry Flint."

"So we don't make the same mistakes twice."

"Things from the past influence the future."



Academics

Sophomores practice their decade presentations for Mr. Rutledge.



Lisa Sieczynski, Katie Gamble, and Lauren McNiff study hard for a history test.



Psychology, Sociology, AP History, Current Events, Government, Demo. Living, Global Issues, World History

★ ★ *Back in Time*

Social Studies is a very broad category at SCHS, covering everything from Psychology to World History. To graduate, students need two and one half credits of Social Studies, which can be filled with a variety of elective classes once the required Government and U.S. History classes have been taken.

The mind and human relations are studied in Psychology and Sociology, while students learn about world happenings in Democratic Living, Global Issues, and Current Events. All sophomores are required to take U.S and Michigan History. Students who wish to excel can take A.P or World History.

Mike Boullard feels that, "Global Issues is an important class because it informs me of what is happening in the world today. These events effect me now and will in the future so they are good to know about."

Within the normal curriculum, teachers

throw in activities to keep us on our toes. In Sociology, Ms. Osterland helps us get in touch with our cosmic side by assigning an essay that requires us to write as if we were aliens in the halls of SCHS.

Government students leave the classroom and experience government in action by attending a City Council meeting. "Seeing how into the community everyone got was really cool. I didn't know people cared that much," commented Joe Ferlito.

Sophomore Bobbi Jo Butlin stated, "History is important because it teaches us about the past and the beginning of our country. It makes us aware of our country's mistakes so we do not make the same ones again," stated Bobbi Jo Butlin.

The Social Studies department helps students understand how our government operates and makes them aware of issues they will need to be concerned about as they begin to vote and pay taxes.

Jeremy Mansell and Gerrad Foster admire sculptures at the Festival of the Arts.

Ms. Mihaiu's dance class gets down and funky.



Art 1, Art 2, Adv. Art, Spanish 1, Spanish 2, Spanish 3, Spanish 4, French 1, French 2, French 3, French 4, Dance

Back to the Drawing Board

"Wow!" Students this year have been successful beyond their traditional academic classes and have soared to new heights in Fine Arts.

Freshman Steve Barker is just one of many students who may have a future in art. Mrs. Gunderson commented, "Steven has what it takes to become a great artist. His artwork this year has been sensational!"

While some students take art classes to practice a craft in which they excel, others take art simply to relax and give their minds a break after all of their academic classes.

Many girls have chosen to get a great workout while learning a few new steps in Ms. Mihaiu's dance class. Each day the class learns new dance steps and explores a different side of the school curriculum. "I never thought that dance class could give me such a great workout and be fun at the same time," com-

mented Leighann Leverenz.

Learning a new language and staying committed to a class year after year is a great challenge. Foreign language students are rewarded for such efforts and hard work with trips to Mexico or France during Spring Break. "Staying in Spanish has really been worth my time and commitment. Finally I'm going to Mexico! I can't wait, I'll have so much fun," junior Julie Adamson commented while waiting for her flight.

While the Spanish classes were having fun in Mexico, the French students were eating exquisite foods in France. "Going to Paris is an unforgettable experience I'll never forget," said Brant Herzer.

Fine Arts helps students express individuality and gives them a break from everyday learning in school. There are many ways for high school students to express who they really are, but choosing a fine art to express yourself is a true talent.





Sporting a sombrero, Bree Campbell enjoys Mexican food day.



Thumbs up from Michelle Demers, after eating nachos.



Enjoyng Mexican food day, Thomas McCartan serves his favorite hot dish.



In what ways has art had an impact on your life?

"It has given me a realization of self-expression and self-worth."

"It allows me to relax and use the other side of my brain."

"I have higher expectations for myself."

"It brings out my my personality and self-awareness."

"Arthasmademore creative, and it shows in my work and in my lifestyle."

"It has made me who I am today."

"Art has helped me become a well rounded person."

"It has taught me things that will benifit me in the future."

"Art expresses my true thoughts and feelings through creativity."



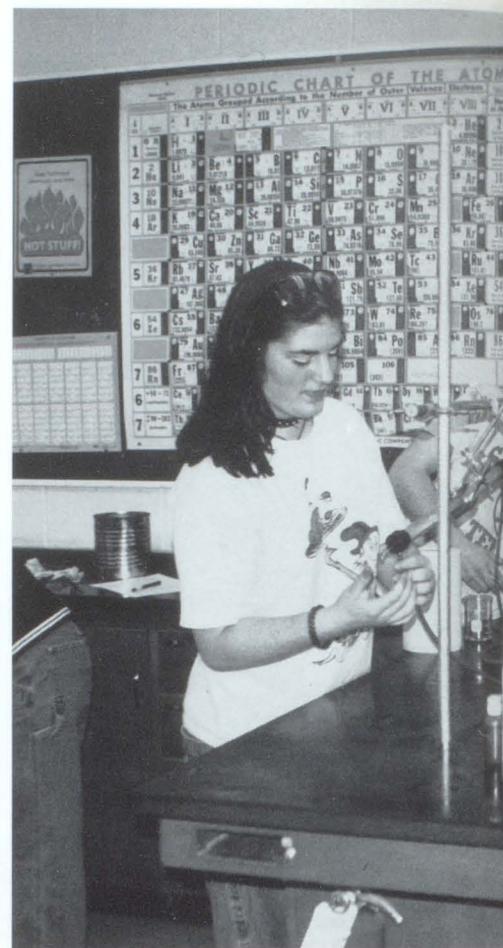
Carefully, John Paulun measures out the chemicals for the next experiment.



Nicole Stokes watches the temperature rise.



Jaime Kafkas and Amanda Wright hold up their soon-to-be dissected pig.



Dustin Walker cowers from the camera as Jon Eifert works on.

INSTRUCTIONS NOT INCLUDED

What is the biggest mistake you made while doing a lab in science?

"Poured harmful chemicals down the drain!"

"Poured the precipitation I was going to test down the drain."

"I forgot to wear my goggles."

"I poured the wrong chemical in, and let me just say there was iodine everywhere"

"Shot hot syrup off a lab table."

"Catching my lab paper on fire in advanced Chem."

"Turning the gas on too high so my bunsen burner wouldn't light."

"Breaking two test tubes in one day."



With steady hands, Bob Rettig and Erik Zimmerman perform a chemistry experiment.



Sarah Armstrong holds up a piece of dissected pig for inspection by Julie Adamson.



Applied Science, Intro Chem, Intro Bio, Chemistry, Adv. Chem, Adv. Bio, Physics

★.....★ *Back to the Lab*

This was not just another year of pulling out the same old science text books. It was a year of rearrangement and renewal for the science department. Beyond the labs and work from the new books, teachers were given a chance to bring current research into the classroom.

Aside from current issues, chemistry classes enjoyed the many labs that accompanied their studies. If someone were to take a stride past the chemistry room on any given day, they might find Mrs. Cedar dipping tennis balls in liquid nitrogen or Mr. Holodnick celebrating mole day with students on October 23. Exposure to these labs allows students to understand science in relationship to everyday life.

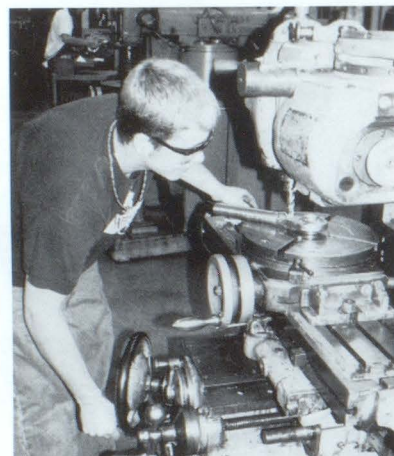
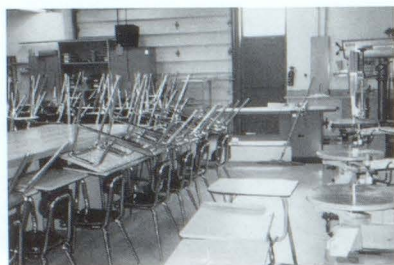
For those students who do not think Chemistry is their thing, there is Applied Science where they learn everything from the way machines and gears work to tricky optical illusions. "I liked finding out how the

'Magic Eye' books work," commented Junior Brandon Haske. Studies from the news such as animal cloning and the meteor's possible collision with Earth have been incorporated into this year's curriculum. Mr. Covington stated, "When you incorporate present day issues in the classroom, students pay more attention and like to get involved."

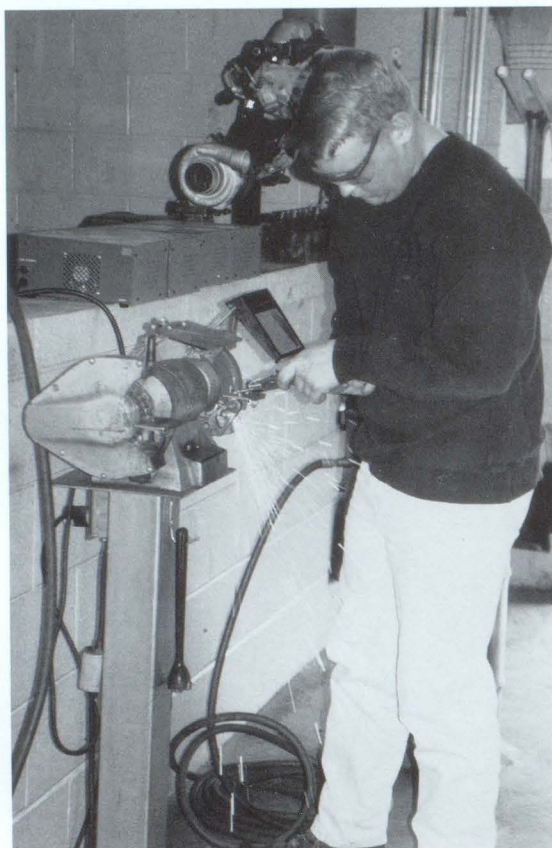
If students enjoy the smell of formaldehyde, the biology room was the place to be this year. With everything from eyes to fetal pigs being dissected, the room's unique aroma was just a side factor when students really got into their labs. "I thought it was pretty cool," commented Stef Swierkosz.

So, if you want to learn about how a volcano forms, what Orbitz is made of, what is inside a pig, or study gravity for a while, the SCHS science department is the place for you.

Locked up tight, our new technology rooms haven't been used since January.



Concentrating on his task, Matt Buzzard works intently on the Grinder.



Computer Applications, Computer Technology, Technology Education

★.....★ *Looking Empty*

While technology seems to drive every aspect of the 20th century, SCHS seems to be at a rest-stop on the information super highway. With two new technology rooms and no technology teachers, students have had to attend the St. Clair TEC center in order to fill this void in our curriculum.

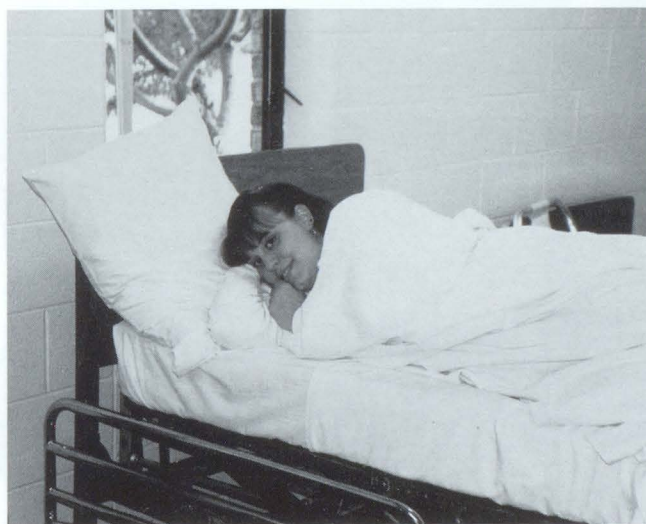
The TEC center offers students an opportunity to specialize in areas ranging from culinary arts to auto-body repair. Nick May, who is studying the field of auto-body repair comments, "Being in TEC gives me a head start in the automotive industry. I think I made a good career move by starting at the TEC Center."

While new technology sat unused, SCHS saw the elimination of the outdated Apple II computer programming class. These obsolete computers were, however, used throughout the year by some of our math classes for graphing purposes.

Computer application classes were overflowing as a result of the need to re-schedule the lost tech students, some receiving credit for taking it twice. Mr. Warner added a sixth class to his work load and saw his class sizes exceed the number of available computers. "Kids were often seated two to a computer station because there always seemed to be out of the building being repaired," commented Mr. Warner when asked about the crowded situation.

In a quest for teachers to fill the vacancies in the tech department, Mr. Rose has been hard at work, traveling all over the mid-west in order to locate qualified individuals. "There is a shortage of technology teachers across the nation and St. Clair has fallen victim to this trend," stated Mr. Rose. Although options in the area of technology were limited this year, we all hope that teachers will be found in order to reinstate the program in the fall of 1998.





Studying business at the Tech Center, Rachel Ernst completes paper work.



Experiencing nursing first-hand, Terrilynn Mazzie practices her skills.

Mr. Barnes helps students with a computer problem.



What is your favorite thing about computers?

"The escape key."

"Turning them on. I love the noise it makes when it starts up."

"Mr. Warner."

"I like making things in paintbrush."

"Two words: Oregon Trail."

"The internet, there's a lot you can learn."

"Betting my friends how many days I won't be able to sign onto AOL."

"They are too complex and never work, I hate them."

"Spell check, because I don't know how to use a dictionary."

"Sending e-mail to other people, it's fast."

Joe Schwehofer chooses the correct tools during machine shop.



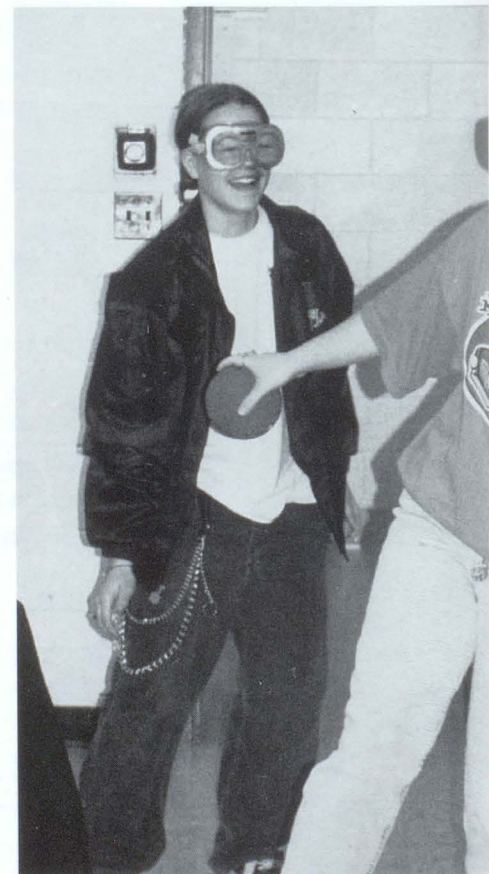
Junior Missy Askew patiently helps a child with their project.



Freshmen stretch out before starting any gym activity.



Mr. McElreath assigns the freshmen to their swimming lanes.



Wearing simulation goggles, sophomores Jenni Pauly and Stephanie Nemeth try to make their way through the classroom.



What's the biggest problem you had while caring for "Baby Think It Over"?

"I was at practice and never heard it crying."

"My friends threw it away."

"Dropped it down a flight of stairs."

"I forgot to warm up the milk."

"I didn't see it on the couch and I sat on it."

"Let my brother and sister hold it."

"I was combing his hair and pulled a huge chunk of it out."

"I left it in my trunk overnight."

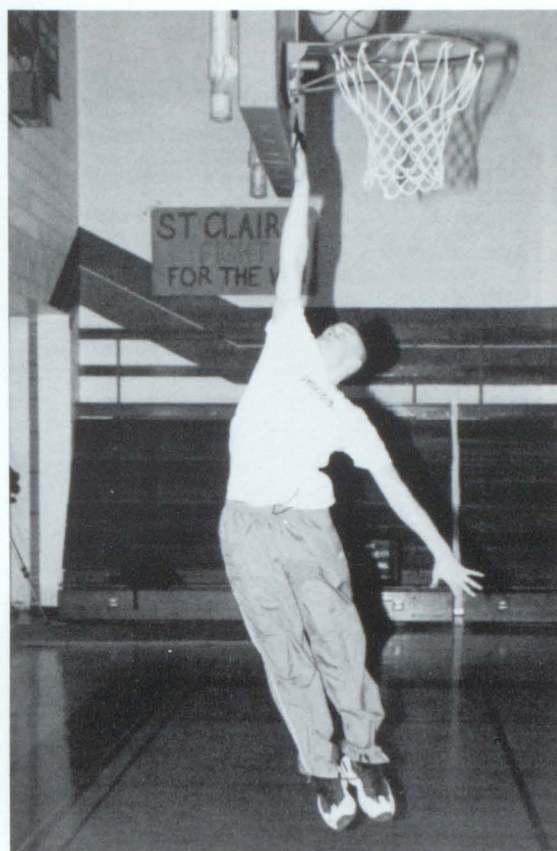
"I forgot to tell my parents I had it and they heard strange crying."





Swimmers practice life saving techniques.

Shooting a lay-up during gym is Greg Rowe.



Ashley Schulte stops finger painting so she can pose with Darcee Askew.



Team Sports, Lifetime Sports, Freshman Gym, Health, Personal Living, Consumer Ed, Parenthood

★ *Looking for Fitness* ★

What do "Baby Think It Over", Plyometrics, CPR, and Water Safety Skills all have in common? The answer lies with the staff and curriculum of the Life Skills Department.

Do you ever wonder what it would feel like to be pregnant or what it is like to have a newborn baby? Students in Parenthood classes get the opportunity to experience this for a semester. The students are challenged with the idea of having a baby when they carry "Baby Think It Over" for a period of two days. Over this time, the students are challenged with the everyday trials of feeding, caring, and loving their newborn. "Caring for 'Baby Think It Over' really showed me the ropes of having a baby and the maturity a mother has to acquire," commented senior Amanda Lipke.

If students think that they can get out of taking a gym class, they had better think again. Gym is a required class for all freshmen in order to graduate. After their freshman year, students have the opportunity

to choose another gym class. Life Time Sports and Team Sports are taken by the athletes in the student body. These classes are based on running, weight lifting, and perfecting the skills of the sport of which they participate.

CPR is taught by Ms. Mihaui and Mr. McElreath during Health class. For a week, the school rented dummies from the American Red Cross. The students were taught the fundamentals of CPR and spent a week practicing, perfecting, and passing the required certification test. Beyond CPR, the students learned the basics of sex education.

Due to increased interest from the students, SCHS brought back Team Sports Swimming. In this class the students learn the basic life saving skills, CPR, water safety, and perfect their swimming strokes.

Life Skills classes help students improve themselves physically and become more prepared for life as an adult.

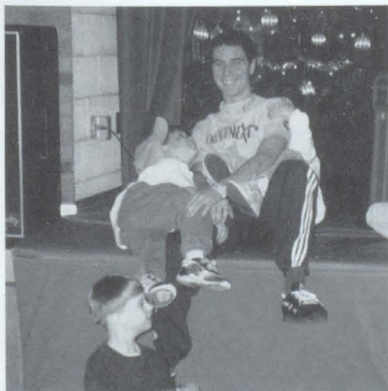
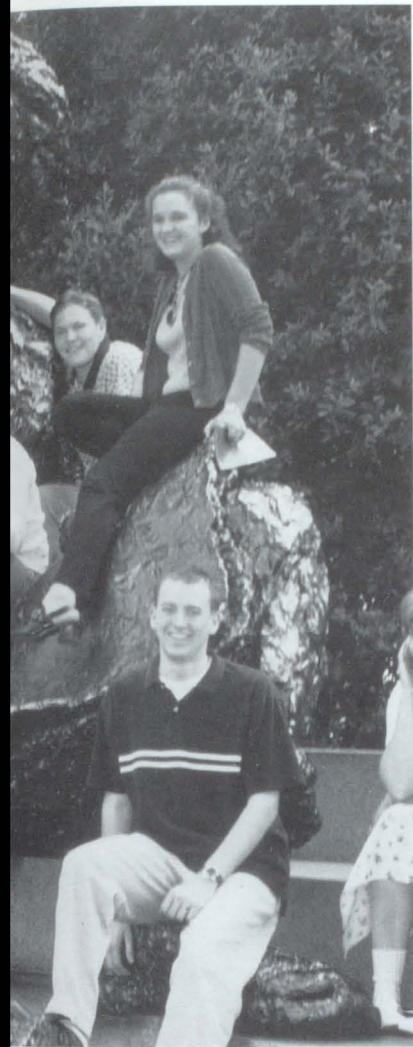


Organizations 98

Many aspects of a student's life at SCHS are made more enjoyable as a result of the hard work and dedication displayed by our many organization members. The delicious cookies we munch on after school, the decorations at homecoming, the music at lunch, and the Sential are a few examples of the work done by student groups at SCHS.

The hard work displayed by these individuals help make the academic routine more enjoyable. The NHS haunted house, the Singers trip to Washington, D.C. and this yearbook are just a few of the ways that students benefit from belonging to these organizations.

Becoming involved in extra-curricular activities allows students to make a difference in both the community and their school. Whether a student is academically inclined or loves to volunteer every single spare second of their day, there is an organization at SCHS to suit them.



Organizations

A black and white photograph of two young women sitting together and looking at a document. The woman on the left has dark, wavy hair and is wearing a light-colored sweater. The woman on the right has long, straight hair and is wearing a dark sweater with a light-colored horizontal stripe. They are both looking down at the document with interest.



This year, not only did SADD change its name, but it also changed its focus. SADD is now recognized as Students Against Drinking and other Drugs. They focus on giving students an opportunity to meet other students with the same goals. They also learn skills that help them teach others to stay drug and alcohol free.

Ms. Famiano, advisor of

This year, SADD members have gone to Lake Orion and North Branch for PIP Tests (Partners in Prevention). There, they had the chance to meet other students who share the same outlook on drugs. Ms. Famanio explained, "Everyone had a great time at PIP Testing. Eventually, SADD hopes to expand and do more school and community projects."

Back in Action 98

With the Washing Monument in the distance, Kathleen Buckland, Julie Smelser, Erin Zimmerman, Mary Buckland and Karen Fajardo smile for the camera.



In a rare serious mood, Thomas McCartan, Mary Buckland, Bree Campbell and Shaunah Parrish present a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.



Trying to earn a little pocket money, Curt Titus and Thomas McCartan sing in front of Ford's Theater.



From top left: K. Fajardo, A. Stanley, R. Gryszkiewicz, M. Buckland, B. Haske, B. Harder, C. Titus, Ms. Zydek, K. Chase, G. Foster, T. McCartan, E. Zimmerman, K. Buckland, H. Jennings, S. Powers, A. Schneider, S. Parrish, S. Rock, N. Wurn, J. Kafcas, E. Rattee, J. Smelser, B. Campbell, K. Sherrill, C. Bond Not Pictured: J. Krul



Organizations

the Lincoln Memorial for hundreds of attentive listeners. The Singers were delighted with the response that the audience gave. "After I heard the applause from the crowd, I was proud to be a part of the St. Clair Singers," said Thomas McCartan. Julie Smelser recalled an emotional salute from the War Veterans. "We were all crying so much that we had to stop in the middle and start over. It was a touching moment for everyone."

Aside from helping the Singers achieve their goal of singing in Washington D.C., the choir class also sang at the Christmas Concert for the middle school and elementary schools around St. Clair. The choir also displayed their voices at the Festival of Arts.

Both the Singers and the choir have worked hard this year and it has paid off.

*Looking
for a
High Note*



Singing a solo during the Spring Concert, Jerry Sargent is in the spot light.

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Forward March 98

In order to accommodate growing numbers of band members, the administrators were forced to divide the band into two separate classes, Concert and Symphonic. Although this division seemed like an improvement, it also posed many new problems. Since there were now two band classes, students were faced with the difficult task of finding time to practice. They no longer had class time to prepare for their halftime show. "I was nervous at first, but when we finished I realized it was something that I love to do," commented Freshman Jennifer DeCrane.

When football season came to an end the band marched on, practicing for the annual MSBOA Marching Festival. For the second time the band brought back a Su-

perior First Division rating.

With concerts and festivals in sight, the bands had many hours of practice ahead of them. Day by day, the music wandered through the halls during fifth and sixth hours. In March both the Concert and Symphonic bands traveled to Marysville High School for a second MSBOA Festival. Displaying their outstanding musical abilities, the bands made quite a statement. The Concert Band brought home a respectable second division rating while the Symphonic Band earned a Superior First Division. The band members proved that hard work really does pay off.

Whether it is marching through the weeds, getting attacked by mosquitoes, or sweating on stage in polyester uniforms, band members put forth hard work and dedication to excel in the field of music.



Performing his last half time show, Sean Swierkosz recognizes his mother.



During the spring concert, Jared Cavis leads the clarinet section.



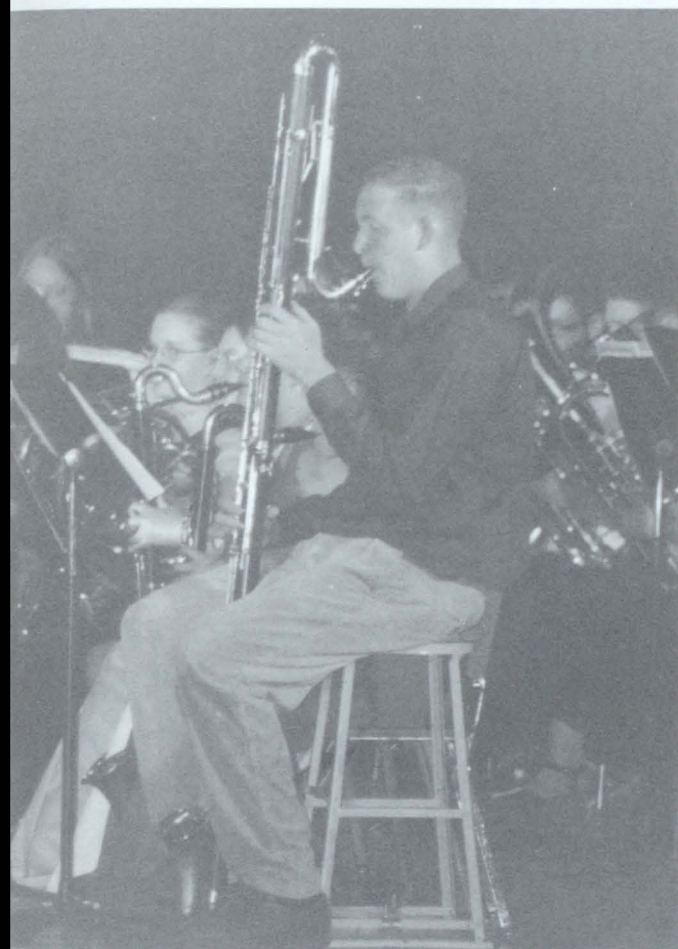
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Featured at mid field, the flag corps performs during half time at the China Bowl.

Pep band members, Brad Harder and Matt Schweiger jazz it up at a Saints basketball game.



Paul Lindsay plays the bassoon during the spring band concert.

Drum majors Amy Fandrick and Brant Herzer lead the band onto the field at half time.



From top left: P. Lindsay, J. Cavis, J. Kostiuk, J. McCulloch, T. Pavlov, J. McCulloch, J. Barrons, E. Sims, Marchlewski, E. Browning, H. Blake, S. Priebe, K. Morris, D. Tatrow, R. Schindler, M. Minock, J. Flemming, Kuzera, E. Bowen, R. Wassman, E. Seeloff, R. Wilderson, J. Swoish, C. Schneider, Mr. Daggett, S. Brzozowski, Swierkosz, E. Zimmerman, H. Harrison, V. Bushay, J. Holladay, L. Lumley, A. Browning, S. Silver, Marchlewski, S. Hillier, M. Dominick, E. Hall, S. Stotler, N. Schindler, E. Zimmerman, J. Schunck, K. McWain, Morris, M. Seeloff, B. Walendzik, C. Sawdon, A. Moore, T. Laszlo, K. Klieman, H. Emig, S. VanPelt, Cobeau, S. Parrish, A. Hrantchian, A. Fandrick, B. Herzer, B. Harder, E. Summers, A. Ritter

"Anyone who thinks that horseback riding is not a sport has never ridden a horse correctly," states Heather Vermeersch.

For the first three weekends in September, nine dedicated Equestrian team members spent Saturday preparing and Sunday showing. The classes they compete in are showmanship, saddleseat, huntseat, western jumping and gymkhana.

The team enjoyed a successful season in individuals, as well as team competition. In individual competition, they were lead by senior Bonnie "Bronco" Kalmar. She acquired over thirty points for the

team. This also qualified her for the Michigan Interscholastic Horsemanship Association (M.I.H.A.) All District Reserve Team. Bonnie says, "Letting people see my horse and knowing that they are thinking 'I wish my horse looked like that,' is a gratifying experience."

Senior Jeni Putney also agrees, "My favorite part of being on the Equestrian team is the friendships that I have formed. There is a great deal of camaraderie between all of the schools since many of the riders have shown together for what seems like forever. We all share the love of riding and the thrill of competition."

Back in the Saddle '98

While checking out their competition, Heather Vermeersch, along with Margaret Hayden, pause for a photo.



Waiting to enter their next class, Jeni Putney and SMS Infinity pause for a smile.



Coming along nicely, Kim Diller and TJ Nancy weave through the crowd.



Rounding the corner in her horsemanship class, Bonnie Kalmar and Ginger are inline for second place.



From left to right: K. Diller, M. Hayden, B. Barczy, B. Kalmar, A. Bushay, A. Baunoch, J. Cook, H. Vermeersch, and J. Putney Not Pictured: Coach Hayden and Coach Vermeersch



Organizations

Back to 98 Business

It's sixth hour and the aroma of mouth watering chocolate chip cookies begins to flow through the halls of SCHS. The bell rings, and students, with money in hand, begin to sprint toward the school store. Hoping to be one of the lucky few to nab a stack of these scrumptious cookies.

Have you ever wondered who is responsible for this phenomenon? To answer the question, the Business Professionals of America. The money they earn from the school store helps them pay for trips to regional, state and national competitions. They compete in areas such as small business management, exempt verbal and spelling.

Seniors Michelle Kreusel and Nikki Stephen placed high in their categories and had the opportunity to travel to San Antonio, Texas, to compete at the national level.

All members of BPOA have one thing in common; they are interested in a career in business. The Second Annual Spring Fashion Show and the school store provide members with real life experience related to organizing and running a business.

BPOA introduces it's members to the business world, and allows students to put their business skills and knowledge into action, in both competition and real life situations.

BPOA members N. Stephan, J. Krul, N. Astari, M. Hayden, and M. Kreusel take a break from competition for a quick snapshot.



Making a quick stop at the school store, Marlana Bushay buys cookies from Mrs. Derrow.



Strutting down the catwalk, Adam Neumann shows his stuff at the Spring Fashion Show.



Competition is tough but Jenny Jefferson and Nikki Stephen still manage a smile.



From top left: A. Covington, P. Dettloff, M. Hayden, R. Jamison, B. Beauchamp, N. Stephan, M. Collins, J. Krul, E. Zimmerman, L. Mastry, N. Astari, K. Patterson, N. Riedel, C. Brunhuber, J. Jefferson, C. Lukasak, M. Kreusel, A. Jones Not pictured: M. Elston



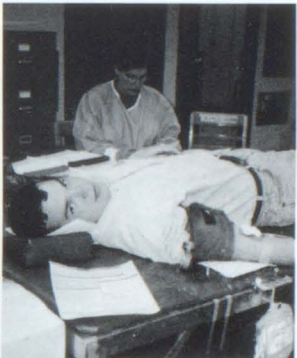
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Members of the NHS act out one of the scenes at the anual Haunted House.



Ryan Schwehofer happily donates blood for the NHS blood drive.



1998 NHS Inductees L to R: B. Rosso, S. Priebe, J. Paulun, J. Herrick, M. Treppa, A. Ritter, D. Marchlewicz, K. Buckland, J. Cavis, M. Bacon, D. Werder, J. Schulte, S. DiGusto, J. Topel, A. Blythe, K. Morris, E. Seeloff, K. Langmesser, S. Lantz, E. Zimmerman, S. Mollan, S. Swierkosz, H. Vermeersch, A. Fenton, H. Solgot, A. Browning, S. Silver.

Mr. Mallwitz and his class roll pennies for Friends of the Library.

This year, members of NHS saw a new and shining face conducting business at their regular morning meetings. Miss Angela Schwehofer was appointed as the NHS advisor at the close of last school year and was excited to begin working with the group. Miss Schwehofer commented, "I spent the summer getting materials organized and learning more about the role of NHS in the school. I also began brainstorming about what new projects we could become involved with in 1998."

Changes began during the annual summer retreat where the group was broken up into committees and assigned specific community service projects. In addition, committees were

also assigned responsibilities to coordinate the traditional NHS activities.

Throughout the year, NHS sponsored two blood drives, a haunted house and offered tutoring to all students in all subject areas. The blood drives were extremely successful, donating 158 pints of blood to the American Red Cross, while the haunted house seemed especially scary this year and was able to attract many members of the community, as well as the student body.

According to president Elaina Hall, "This year, members had more responsibilities and began to take ownership for our organization. We achieved several of our goals and had a great time while serving others."

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The chorus performs during a scene in *Camelot*.



Getting a hand from Curt Titus, Tom McCartan puts his pants on.

Getting their signals crossed, Tom McCartan and Jamie Strickler show up in the wrong costumes.

The dancing fairies cast a spell on the unsuspecting Curt Titus as they enclose him in a cage made of invisible brick.

The lights dim as the crowd becomes silent. The music grows louder then slowly fades as voices pierce the darkness of the auditorium. The lights steadily brighten and St. Clair High School's finest actors take center stage.

Camelot a play set in medieval times was the troupe's largest production. The play centers around the story of King Arthur, Guinevere, and Lancelot, involving a cast of over sixty students. Students participated in various aspects of the production from working the sound board, to moving props backstage, to actually being on stage as part of the twenty-five member choir. These twenty-five dedicated singers put in countless hours after school. Jim Toepel commented, "Singing alone is difficult, but it becomes even more difficult when you have to incorporate stage movements."

The second project of the year

was the Tony award winning comedy, *Moon Over Buffalo*. This play takes place in the greenroom of a theater where many accidents and misunderstandings occur due to a completely deaf and partially senile grandmother. All of the misunderstandings result in an intoxicated lead actor who ruins the play.

The final play was a dinner theater which combined three one act plays. The opening play was *Sparks in the Park*, followed by, *When Men are Scarce*, and finishing with, *Black Comedy*.

From a medieval joust to an accident prone greenroom, this has been a ground breaking, trend setting, success of a year for St. Clair High School's Thespian Society. Advisor Mark Eberhard commented, "It has been a long journey, but in the end it was worth all of the time spent."

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Backstage 98



During an intense scene, Kristy Liebetreu and Curt Titus perform at the dinner theater.

After weeks of work Vanessa Bushay and Gerrad Foster perform a scene during the One Act Play.

Curt Titus pushes Robyn Browning off the stage in a One Act Play.

Looking Stressed 98

The 1998 yearbook staff set high goals this school year, including an increase in book sales, \$10,000 in advertising sales, and successful completion of all deadlines to ensure that the yearbook was published in time to be delivered by early September.

For the second year in a row, the organization started fresh with an inexperienced staff and a new advisor. Only three staff members returned from the previous year with experience and knowledge of the yearbook process. After the first days in class turned into the first nights in class, the newcomers soon realized what a huge task stood before them.

Ms. Jones, Molly Holm, and a few other dedicated staff members could be found working late nights and long weekends to meet the many

deadlines. "I don't even remember where I live anymore," exclaimed Molly.

The yearbook is a large and ongoing business enterprise. Community support through advertisements is extremely important. An increase in ad sales this year helped with the purchase of the senior fold out, and will allow for the addition of colored pages in the years to come. Advertisements will also help to provide for upgrades in computer programs, improvements in cover quality, and the purchase of new cameras.

The production of this book has proven to be quite a struggle and a learning experience for all. The many obstacles have now been overcome and the final result can be enjoyed for years and years to come.

Molly Holm and Miss Jones are wrapped up with yearbook.



During Honors Convocation, Molly Holm and Bill Senavaitis accept awards for outstanding editorial leadership.



Anxious to get started, Carissa Emerich and Tristan Sayers unwrap the long awaited new computer.



From top left: D. Shirkey, T. Sayers, A. Bremerkamp, A. Johnson, B. Senavaitis, C. Debski, C. Card, M. Lemon, C. Emerich, J. Westrick, M. Holm, M. Rose





Alan and Amanda edit body copy.



Relieving deadline stress, Bill Senavaitis enjoys a waterskiing adventure.

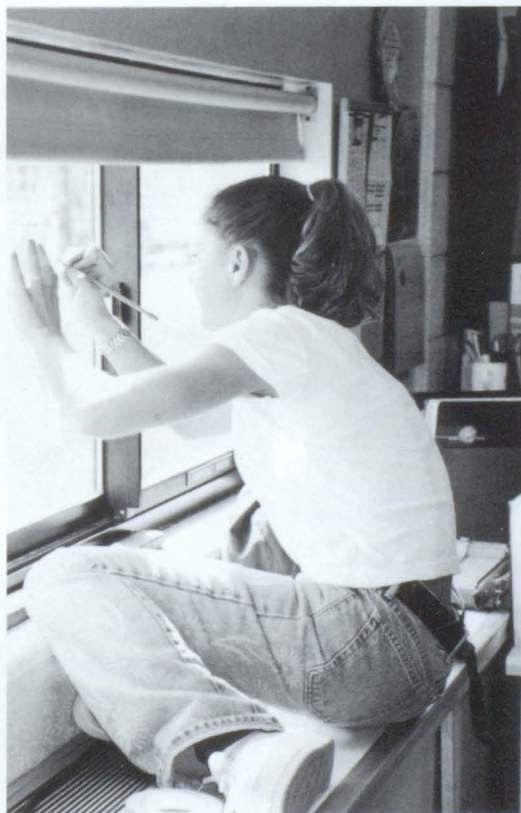


Practicing her photography skills, Megan Rose enjoys the homecoming parade.

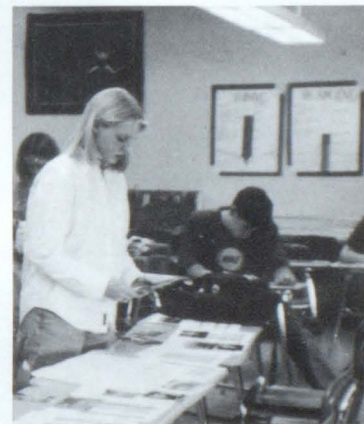
Colleen Card checks her pages for correct pictures.



Experiencing "deadline blues," Bill Senavaitis and Molly Holm lean on each other.



Sick of cropping to print-outs, Megan Rose draws a new layout.



Staff members gather outside Macomb College after a yearbook workshop.



1997 Fall

Athletics

St. Clair High School had an excellent fall sports season in 1997. Existing teams grew more comfortable in the MAC league that was established one year ago. These teams welcomed JV girls tennis to the St. Clair sports schedule this year.

The drive and determination of our players was proved in many ways this season. Cross-country members could be found jogging up the hill in front of Silk's after school, football players got the best spots in the parking lot, due to arriving at 6:30 to lift, and girls swimming was in the pool every day doing 200+ laps.

Whatever the sport, whatever the hour, St. Clair players can always be found at the school, working hard to improve. This year's results prove that their hard work paid off.



kickin' **B**ack



Dedicated is one way to describe the 1997 Boys Varsity Soccer team. With only six seniors in the line-up, the underclassmen were relied upon to help carry the load. Sophomore Steve Stockwell commented, "It's a lot harder than it was last year, there is a lack of leadership."

Despite the lack of leadership, the team pulled through and overcame many obstacles. By the end of the season, the players knew each other so well they were able to predict teammate's movements and field positions. This level of awareness enabled the players to work cohesively and improve their games.

With this knowledge and the team's dedication, the boys were able to pull together and keep pace with teams such as Warren Cousino, whom they tied 3-3.

The MAC season ended with a clash between the Saints and Lutheran North. Despite the loss, the team rolled into Districts playing to their full potential.

With an 8-1-9 record, the team put their best foot forward and accomplished many of the goals they set. Team captain, Brant Herzer said, "Even though we did not have a winning season, we never gave up. We gave 100% at every practice and every game."

Looking for a steal, Brant Herzer focuses on the ball.



From top left: K. Vollmer, Coach Douglass, P. Stockwell, D. Zablocki, S. Stockwell, K. Schneider, N. Kafkas, E. Wisner, C. Lee, Coach Hratchian, J. Meredith, B. Herzer, S. Vogel, J. Schumacher, W. Potthoff, J. Hoover, J. Sayers, J. Eifert, K. Stowell, J. Ross, K. Burns, B. Sawdon, A. Hratchian, J. Jones, C. Raymond, J. Hoover, M. Mollan, A. Neumann, D. Walker



Matt Mollan runs the ball down the field with teammate, John Hoover, close behind.



Members of the soccer team pause for a quick wave to the camera.



Sophomore, Armen Hratchian slide tackles the ball away from his opponent.



An aggressive John Hoover dives to block a shot.



Playing tough defense, the Saints keep the ball away from the goal.



SOCCER

	SC	OPP
Anchor Bay	10	3
Lutheran N.	0	2
Dakota	6	2
Anchor Bay	1	2
Marine City	6	3
Algonac	5	0
Lake Shore	6	0
South Lake	2	10
Algonac	3	4
Marysville	10	2
Anchor Bay	0	10
Marysville	3	0
Marine City	3	2
Dakota	0	2
Lutheran NW	0	4
Fitzgerald	1	2
Centerline	2	5
Cousino	3	3





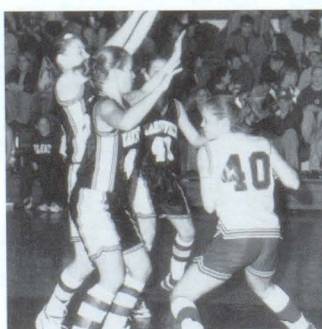
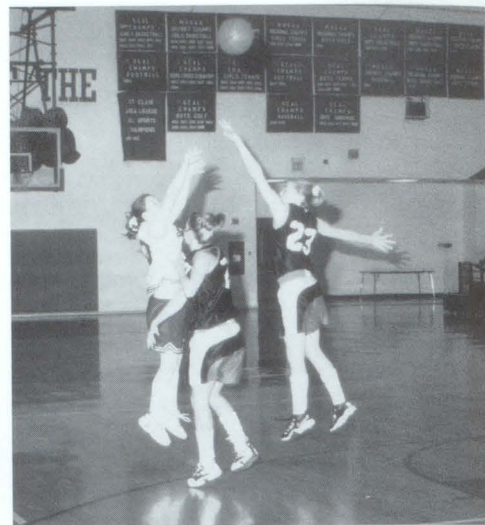
BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
New Haven	68	40
Almount	63	34
Lutheran North	62	25
Lakeshore	49	56
Mt. Clemens	53	50
Anchor Bay	55	37
Imlay City	55	68
Dakota	39	42
Richmond	47	30
Marine City	66	46
Lakeview	69	35
Marysville	52	58
Anchor Bay	52	35
Imlay City	53	59
Dakota	47	40
Richmond	77	29
Marine City	53	50
Warren Mott	63	42
Marysville	47	40
Mt. Clemens	41	52
Algonac - Dist	48	23
Marysville - Dist	56	50
Marine City - Dist	31	43

Ready for anything, Marni Bacon takes the ball down the court.



Refusing to be rejected, Crystal Kerszykowski clears Marine City's Defense.



A trapped Elaina Hall looks to pass.



Sprinting on defense, Jenny Schulte attempts to cut off the Marysville player.



Looking to the Rim



The Lady Saints prevailed at the beginning of the season, winning four games in a row. They were on a roll when they came up short with a disappointing loss to Mt. Clemens, but they were able to bounce back with a big win over Anchor Bay.

The Lady Saints put up their best fight against Imlay City when battling for first place. This game brought in the largest crowd of the season. The "Pit" was roaring with excitement as fans cheered on the Lady Saints. Despite a good team effort, the girls came up short at the final buzzer.

The team ended the season

with District play at Cros-Lex where they won easily in the first two rounds and were defeated in the semi-finals.

The loss of seven seniors did not affect the Lady Saints because several under-classmen were able to step up and play excellent basketball. The defense held strong in key situations, and the offense was able to put points on the board when the team was behind late in the game.

According to Jenny Schulte, "It was a lot of fun to play on a team that worked well together and got along both on and off the court."



Darcee Askew keeps the ball moving away from the pressure.



From top left: A. Wright, M. Bacon, B. Klecha, M Treppa, J. Flemming, E. Hall, D. Askew, Coach Shaw, M. Jerry, J. Kafcas, J. Schulte, M. Carter, N. Jepson, C. Kerszykowski, K. Stockwell

back on the Court

With a 9-0 start on the season, the JV Girls Basketball team could not be beat. Intense practices were the key to their amazing success. The girls were

able to remain focused and still have a good time together.

The team consisted of 12 exceptional players, two of which were freshmen. Kara Leverence and Nicole Jepson earned JV positions and were an integral part of the team's success. Melissa Jerry, Becky Wassman and Jepson were often moved up to the varsity team to help out when they were short on healthy players. To take their

places, freshman were moved up.

Their final record was 12-8, and despite the shifting of positions, they managed to play extremely well together. According to Coach Becker, "I expected the girls to play to their full potential every time they stepped on the court, and they never let me down. Our team was successful because the girls had amazing chemistry on the court."

BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
New Haven	34	17
Almont	38	25
Lutheran North	36	17
Lakeshore	38	19
Mt. Clemens	44	26
Anchor Bay	35	17
Imlay City	38	34
Dakota	30	22
Richmond	47	23
Marine City	40	47
Lakeview	29	32
Marysville	32	54
Anchor Bay	44	11
Imlay City	40	30
Dakota	31	25
Richmond	38	42
Marine City	33	44
Warren Mott	20	40
Marysville	35	40
Mt. Clemens	37	40

Kara Leverence plays tough "D", but what exactly is Nicole Jepson doing?



With a hand in her face, Becky Wassman manages to get a shot.



Shooting a free throw, Becky Fraley keeps good form.



From top left: D. Mihelic, N. Jepson, K. Leverence, M. Treppa, B. Wassman, B. Fraley, J. Sargent, M. Jerry, L. Keeley, T. Buzzard, A. Klecha, D. Wicisel, M. Biscarner



Athletics

Finding the open man, Carrie Shine makes a perfect pass.



Coach Becker sets up a play during a time-out.



From top left: Coach Becker, C. Gore, T. Porter, N. Poisson, L. Andrzejewski, K. Kulczewski, M. Carter, J. Plesz, C. Shine, K. Daniels, A. Douglass, S. Bond, S. Minano, B. Szymanski



Sarah Bond follows the ball after a lay-up.

BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
Imlay City	57	27
Marysville	23	31
Port Huron N.	31	23
Port Huron	32	21
Richmond	30	23
Anchor Bay	36	11
Algonac	35	32
Imlay City	57	27
Marysville	23	26
Port Huron N.	37	42
Port Huron	42	45
Richmond	40	28
Anchor Bay	45	23
Algonac	44	34

Looking for a Basket

By the time September rolled around and students had returned to school, the Freshman Girls Basketball team had already become acquainted with the halls

of SCHS. The girls had been working as a team since the first few days of summer. They showed a level of commitment to each other and their sport that would earn them a tie for first place in the Blue Division of the Macomb Area Conference. Under the excellent coaching of Dave Becker, the team ended the season with an impressive record of 11-3. When

questioning guards Sarah Bond, Katie Daniels and Carrie Shine what they thought their team did best, they replied, "We are all friends outside of basketball. We get along on and off the court. We know each others strengths and weaknesses and when we fall behind we never get frustrated with each other. We play as a team and that is what made our season so successful."

Looking for the



Lead

This year's Boys and Girls Cross Country teams were loaded with young talent. This level of talent increased throughout the season as a result of a strong work ethic and dedication.

The competitive nature of the athletes who were involved in this sport did not interfere with this group's team unity. They pushed each other to run hard and improve on their times.

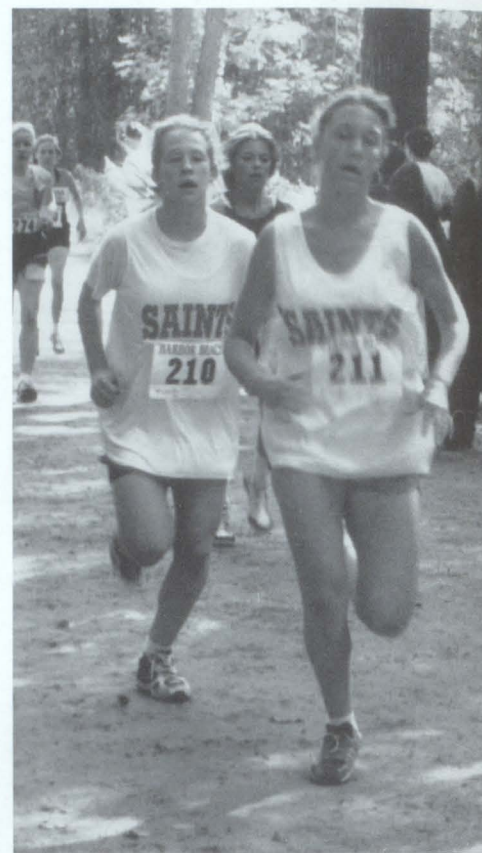
St. Clair was well represented at the state level with Kurt Brinker, Arielle Fenton, John Cook and Amber Mareski finishing with respectable times.

All-league runner Kelly Jefferson said, "The love of the sport wasn't the only reason for joining the team. That feeling of achieving personal goals is what satisfies me most."

"We had a lot of fun this season," Freshman Tim McLeod replied. "We were pushed and inspired by Mr. Fouchey's unique coaching style. He's one of only a few coaches that becomes more than a coach."

With many young and talented runners, this year's Cross Country team may have only given us a glimpse of what is to come in the next few years.

Sarah Priebe and Arielle Fenton move through the woods at a cross country meet.



From top left: P. McDonell, M. Gutowski, J. Parker, J. Cavis, A. Mareski, S. Priebe, S. Grafton, K. Brinker, A. Fenton, J. Homberg, S. Schwehofer, T. McLeod, S. Selastion, K. Jefferson, J. Cook, K. Langmessenger, M. Kreusel Not Pictured: J. Reasar



Ready, set, go! St. Clair runners eagerly await the starting gun.



Relieved that the day is over, Sarah Priebe and Kelly Jefferson are ready to board the bus.



STRETCH! Scott Sebastian helps Kurt Brinker prepare for a race.



Discussing strategy, Jared Cavis and Jesse Parker prepare to race.



Kick back and relax! The cross country team lounges around between races.

Boys Cross Country

	<u>SC</u>	<u>OPP</u>
Warren Woods	29	27
Lakeshore	25	31
Centerline	22	33
Roseville	21	34
Marine City	22	33
Marysville	36	23
L'Anse Creuse N.	15	50
Cros-Lex Invite	6th Place	
Algonac Invite	9th Place	
Linden Invite	7th Place	
Harbor Beach Inv.	7th Place	

Girls Cross Country

	<u>SC</u>	<u>OPP</u>
Warren Woods	19	38
Lakeshore	20	38
Centerline	15	50
Roseville	15	45
Marine City	15	50
Marysville	18	41
L'Anse Creuse N.	15	44
Cros-Lex Invite	2nd Place	
Algonac Invite	3rd Place	
Linden Invite	7th Place	
Harbor Beach Inv.	5th Place	



GOLF

	SC	OPP
Port Huron	170	179
Marysville	166	183
Lakeview	173	165
Anchor Bay	164	204
Grosse Pte.	170	159
L'anse Creuse N.	157	170
Fraser	164	211
SCAL	2nd Place	
Port Huron	166	182
Lakeview	161	156
Marine City	170	179
Anchor Bay	170	181
L'anse Creuse N.	172	179
Fraser	164	211
Port Huron	182	174
MAC	2nd Place	
Regionals	3rd Place	
State Finals	15th Place	

Participating in State Finals are Kevin Kerbrat, Ron Mitchell, John Jepson, Chris Spanos and Franklin Seilheimer.

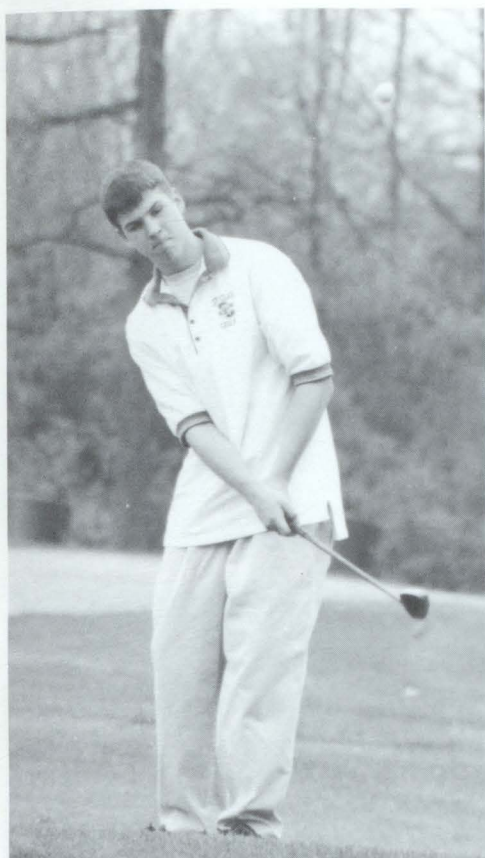


Driving off the tee, Kevin Kerbrat portrays perfect form.

Practicing and encouraging one another are Jim Freeland and Brad Cyplik.



With a look of deep concentration, Jim Freeland watches where his ball will land.



back to the C ourse



Fresh air, blue skies, green grass; playing golf sounds like a walk in the park. After talking to the players, we found out that there is more to this game than that. Golf is a game of consistency and focus. "In order to establish a consistent swing, hours of practice are necessary. It's all about repetition," commented Thomas McCartan.

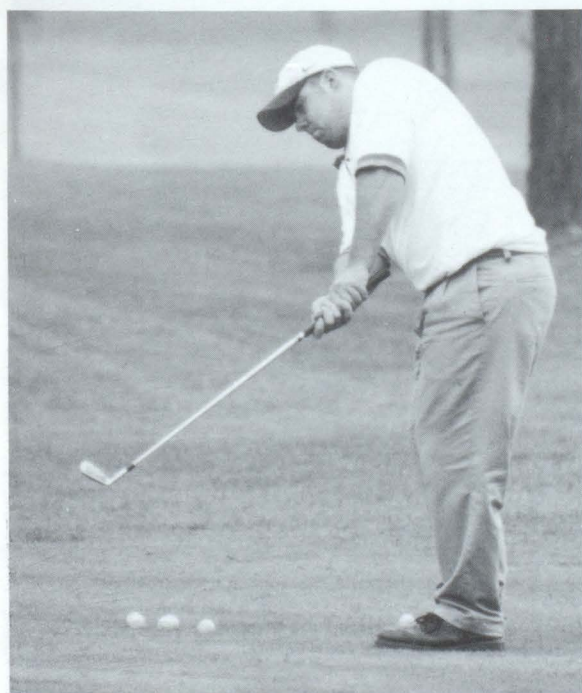
The Golf team was rather young this fall and Coach Monte knew they would have to work extraordinarily hard in order to have a successful season. The players came through and the team finished the year with an impressive 10-4 record.

Expectations for the team were

high. Their goals included doing well at both the regional and state tournaments. Regionals were held at their home course, the St. Clair Golf Club. Knowing the course gave the team the edge and confidence needed to finish in third place and qualify for States.

"Playing in the state tournament was a fantastic experience," commented freshman Chris Spannos. "I would never have imagined that I would have such an opportunity as a freshman." The team finished the year at State Finals, placing fifteenth.

With every member of the team returning next year, the players are confident that this year's experiences will make them a stronger team next season.



Kevin Kerbrat warms up with a few practice shots.



From top left: T. McCartan, M. Bryer, J. Jepson, Coach Monte, K. Kerbrat, F. Selheimer, J. Freeland, B. Stein, R. Mitchell, B. Cyplik, J. Gomola, T. Runge, C. Spannos, J. Conlin

backhand Smash

Aside from the fact that the Girls Varsity Tennis team had six returning seniors, it was a whole new program. The biggest change was the hiring of Coach David Clutts. Coach Clutts brought many new ideas to the program, including the addition of a JV team, coached by Mr. Jason Diller. Even though they did not have many meets scheduled, the JV players improved their basic tennis skills in preparation for a varsity position next season.

Meanwhile, the Varsity team was having an extremely successful season. The girls were holding their own against some of the best schools in the state and dominating in the area. "Going to tournaments and playing teams like Port Huron Northern and Okemos worked wonders on my game," commented senior and #2 singles

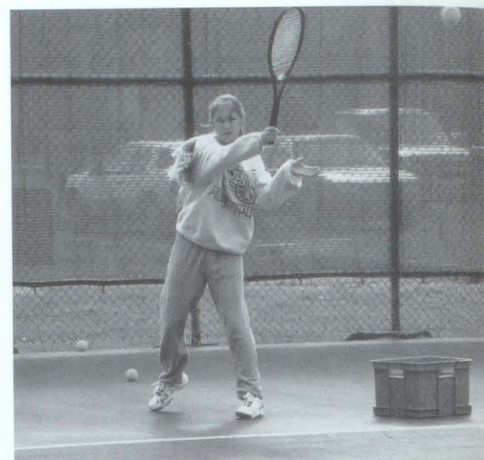
player Alexa Hollweg. This tough competition would prepare the girls for State Finals.

The team finished league play with a record of 5-2 and in second place behind Mt. Clemens. Regional competition found the girls waiting through a long day of rain delays and problems on court. Regardless, they were able to play focused tennis and at the end of the day, found themselves in second place with an invitation to the State Finals.

Over the course of the next week, the girls put finishing touches on both their physical and mental games. The hard work and determination paid off with a 16th place finish at the State Tournament.

The coaching combo of Clutts and Diller created great skill and leadership. Due to this, the underclassmen will be able to step up, and the program will continue to grow.

Senior Nikki Stephan concentrates on her perfect forehand.



From top left: Coach Clutts, M. Minock, C. Berridge, M. Holm, E. Zimmerman, S. Young, L. Sanders, A. Hollweg, B. Wassman, N. Pavlov, K. Sherrill, N. Stephan, S. Rock, B. Butlin, E. Szymanski

Coach Clutts gives his second doubles team, Sarah Rock and Clara Berridge, words of advice.

Rushing the net, Emily Szymanski keeps her game face.



Singles player Natalie Pavlov works on her forehand.



From top left: Coach Diller, A. Campbell, J. Holladay, K. Morris, E. Hermesmeyer, E. Dowd, D. Sayers, K. Touhy, S. Young, C. Card, J. Jazowski, C. Drolz, D. Danao, S. Balas, C. Spitale, G. Heinrich, V. Kelly

Varsity **TENNIS**

	SC	OPP
Blue Water Classics		3rd Place
Fraser Inv.		2nd Place
Port Huron Inv.		7th Place
Chippewa Valley	7	1
Warren Motte	6	2
Almont	6	2
Stevenson	6	2
L'Anse Creuse	6	2
Henry Ford	7	1
St. Clair Inv.		1st Place
Cousino	7	1
Mt. Clemens	4	4.5
Holly Inv.		7th Place
MAC Tournament		2nd Place
Regionals		2nd Place
State Finals		16th Place

Junior Varsity **TENNIS**

	SC	OPP
Warren Motte	4	4
Almont	2	2
L'Anse Creuse North	2	6
Port Huron	2	6
Almont	3	2



FOOTBALL

	SC	OPP
Fitzgerald	9	25
Mt. Clemens	0	7
South Lake	34	20
Richmond	21	20
Country Day	3	58
Algonac	10	12
Lincoln	26	0
Marine City	6	28
Lakeview	10	8

Running the ball down the field, Kyle Estrada uses great maneuvering skills.



Captains Ryan Biewer and Steve Freeland walk proudly onto the field to lead the team's pre-game stretch.



Preparing to throw the ball, quarterback Kurt Moran searches for a teammate downfield.



Tense with anticipation, Donn Bacon, Jeff Browne, Adam May, and Branden Hill await the winning extra point at Richmond.



Athletics

Showing respect for an injured player, Aaron Ross and Branden Hill take a knee.



Ryan Biewer, Dave Wcisel, and Steve Freeland tackle their opponet.



Determination was the main goal for the Varsity Football team this year. Wins over South Lake and Richmond at the beginning of the season sparked a fire in the team that many people thought was gone.

Richmond was the biggest win of the season. The game went into double over-time and St. Clair came out on top after sophomore Brian Psciuk kicked the winning extra point to clinch the game 21-20. The Saints players poured onto the field in a frenzy of excitement to celebrate this fantastic victory.

Individually, several players had record setting seasons. Seniors Joe Ferlito, Steve Freeland, and Joe Schweihofer all broke school records. Ferlito broke the rushing record with 1,206 yards, Schweihofer had 8 quarterback sacks, the most in a single season, and Freeland recorded the most tackles in a game with 18.

The Saints ended with a 4-5 record. Coach Motte commented, "It was a difficult year, but it was fantastic to see that the team was able to stick together and have fun."



From top left: G. Foster, J. Ferlito, C. Westrick, K. Estrada, J. Mansell, Coach Warner, M. Callahan, T. DeMeulenaere, Coach Motte, K. Moran, Coach Mallwitz, G. Sargent, J. Schweihofer, A. Kollmorgen, S. Freeland, M. Woodard, B. Hill, T. Shine, A. May, K. O'Connor, D. Denly, M. Stier, D. Bacon, D. Wcisel, M. Zimmer, R. Blake, B. Psciuk, T. Sayers, N. Biringner, J. Browne, D. Whittaker, A. Ross, J. Cardella, J. Forsythe, M. Halcrow, B. Rossow, R. Biewer

Looking **P**erfect

The JV Football team had a fantastic season. They started off with a 38-0 victory against Warren Fitzgerald and went on to hold the next three opponents scoreless

and defeat all others. One of the biggest games was against Country Day. Scott Ingram said, "That was our biggest game because they were our most challenging opponent."

While beating Country Day was important, beating Marine City was also high on their list. The team had a weak first quarter, but as Rob Hamilton described, "We pulled together throughout

the remainder of the game and were able to come up with a win."

The team ended the season with a perfect 8-0 record, placing first in the Silver Division of the Macomb Area Conference. The team scored a total of 355 points in their season, while allowing their opponents a total of only 40 points.

When asked about the season, Coach Fox described his '97 JV Football team as "unstoppable."

FOOTBALL

	SC	OPP
Warren Fitz.	38	0
Mt. Clemens	53	0
South Lake	66	0
Richmond	36	0
Country Day	24	12
Algonac	46	14
Lincoln	36	0
Marine City	56	14

Stepping under center, Rob Hamilton prepares to take the snap.



Lets get everybody up for Scott Ingram's kickoff.



From top left: Coach Mahaffy, Coach Stockwell, T.J. Pavlov, J. Kostiuk, J. Herrick, S. Ingram, J. Jurzysa, T. Fountain, M. Distelrath, M. Karas, C. Gauronskas, Coach Fox, K. Miller, J. McCulloch, M. Sell, J. McCulloch, J. Paulun, J. Hill, S. Stockwell, J. Durham, E. Pietrykowski, S. Eames, C. Zaremba, R. Hamilton, T.J. Brinker, A. Schultz, B. Avila, B. Avila



Quarterback, Matt Mihelic, launches the ball as the opposing defense rushes in.



Halfback, Ryan Cooper, sprints past the defense.



From top left: J. McQueary, A. Distelrath, D. Reaume, C. Ward, M. Mihelic, J. Tucker, J. Turner, Coach LaClear, Coach Covington, M. Seaman, S. Hetherington, R. Cooper, E. Lipke, M. Malane, S. Blake, R. Malcom, A. Leitz, A. Schwehofer, B. Currier, J. Seals, S. Gill, C. Stottler, R. Zaremba, D. Malone, T. Schutter, B. Walker, J. Tebeau, B. Pauly, T. Stier, D. Swoish, A. Holodnick, T. Kelly
Not pictured: G. Rowe, D. Wcisel, C. Badger, J. Clary, C. Sprung

FOOTBALL

	SC	OPP
New Haven	12	6
Clintondale	36	26
Marysville	16	46
Anchor Bay	20	6
Marine City	38	27
Cros-Lex	51	22
Imlay City	51	20



The Freshman Football team had a great start to their 1997 season. The team won their first two games against New Haven and Clintondale, then came

up short against Marysville. In the next few games, the team bounced back to crush Anchor Bay and arch-rival Marine City. Coach Eberhard credits the wins to hard work, discipline and of course, good coaching.

These players encountered several changes this season while moving from eighth grade football to the high school level. Randy Zaremba stated, "The team

works better as a unit and there is more conditioning."

There were many memorable moments for everyone on the team, including that always welcomed win over Marine City. One of the best moments for James McQueary happened after the team beat Anchor Bay 20-6. "The whole team rushed onto the field to celebrate. It was really cool."

doing the **B**ackstroke

Junior, Renee Tylen, displays a perfect entry into the water.

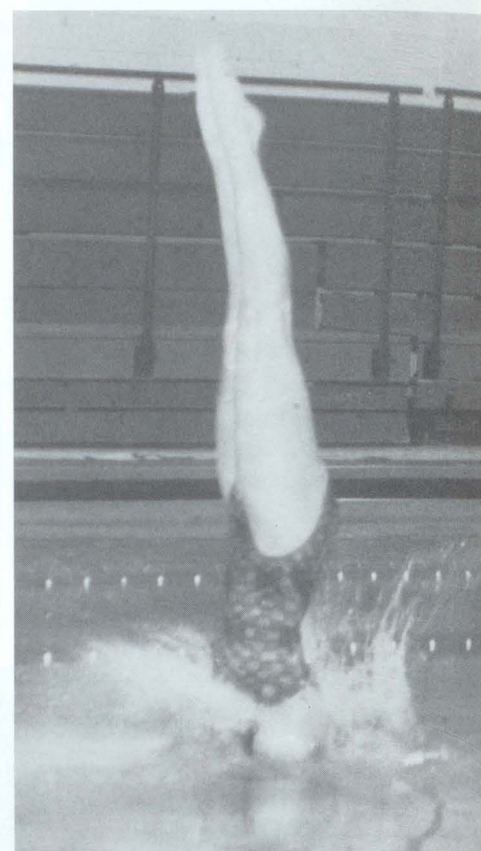
The Lady Saints Swim team started their season several strokes ahead of Dakota with a score of 125 to 60. The team's goal was to improve on last year's record of 8-3. They were successful in their efforts and posted a final record of 10-1.

The hard work and dedication these ladies displayed throughout the entire season paid off when they took first place in the Macomb Area Conference. This victory was especially sweet because the team was able to defeat rivals Marine City and Marysville in front of a home crowd.

SCHS was well represented

at the state tournament with Angela Lucht, Mary Buckland, Sarah Gotautas and Alana Schweihofer qualifying in 5 out of 12 events. These girls continued into the post season with two weeks of intense practicing in order to prepare for the State Finals.

The divers also had an extremely successful season. Renee Tylen and Shaunah Parrish flip-flopped for the school record throughout the year. They broke the record three different times. Both girls finished the year in fantastic fashion with outstanding performances at the MHSAA State Finals.



From top left: S. Parrish, M. Dominick, T. Laszlo, A. Lucht, B. Fraley, V. Gotatus, E. Scarlavai, S. Gotatus, M. Beck, T. Marchlewski, A. Schwiehofer, S. Starch, R. Tylen, A. Ritter, M. Buckland, E. Sims, K. Buckland, J. Clary, B. Walendzik, A. Morre, J. Holladay, L. Birch, S. Hillier, T. Markel, K. McCabe Not Pictured: A. Batts, H. Emig, M. Moore, A. Wice



Pulling hard against the water, Emily Scarlavai steals a breath.



Freestyle swimmer, Tina Marchlewski, keeps a steady pace to the finish.



Reaching her peak, Renee Tylen looks to complete a perfect dive.



Cutting through the water, Audrey Ritter races to the finish.



Pushing to the finish, Laura Birch makes every stroke count.

SWIMMING

	SC	OPP
Dakota	125	60
Eisenhower	84	102
Lincoln	134	36
Romeo	110	75
Sterling Heights	123	62
Marine City Inv.	1st Place	
Marine City	132	54
Centerline	151	24
Marysville	58	36
St. Clair Inv.	1st Place	
Lakeview	132	49
Mt. Clemens	158	30
WW Tower Inv.	1st Place	
Romeo Inv.	1st Place	
MAC Inv.	1st Place	



*"Keep your
face to the
sunshine and
you cannot
see the
shadows."*

Lets go Saints! The Varsity Cheerleaders fire up the crowd.

Standing atop Jeani Westrick, Ami Touchton and Jeanne Likins, Amanda Lipke cheers on the crowd at a girls basketball game.



Gwen Gilbert displays a perfect arebesque.



Performing a chant, the cheerleaders entertain the crowd.



Athletics

Cheering on the team, the Varsity Cheerleaders look for a St. Clair touchdown.



Towering above the field, Gwen Gilbert and Amanda Lipke fire up the crowd.

back in **B**lue

The 1997 season brought about numerous changes to the cheerleading program including the hiring of Ms. Laura Jones as head coach. Coach Jones wasted no time in getting started. Practices began in early July when the team spent endless hours running on the sizzling hot black track and dodging sprinklers on the football field.

At the end of July, the team attended camp where they earned the Fantastically Focused award for their positive attitudes, as well as their commitment to the sport and each other. The team returned to St. Clair with new stunts, cheers, crowdlines, and most importantly, a

sense of team unity which had been missing in years past. This allowed them to achieve many goals they set.

By the time September rolled around, the team was sporting new uniforms, a new dance to the fight song, and a renewed commitment to increase school spirit. The girls cheered for both the Freshman and Varsity Football teams at the China Bowl, as well as the Lady Saints during key games at The Pit.

When asked how they felt about so many changes, the six seniors responded, "This was the best season ever. We learned a lot, not only about cheerleading, but how to work together as a TEAM!"



From top left: A. Blythe, J. Westrick, A. Touchton, J. Likins, T. Wheeler, Coach Jones, S. Kuzera, M. Meadows, A. Lipke, D. Hardy, A. Marchese, A. Pauly, G. Gilbert

Looking

The JV Fall Cheerleading team began practices during the sizzling hot days of July. They quickly realized that their days of sleeping in were over. The team,

consisting of freshmen and sophomores, spent the summer getting to know one another, conditioning and working on the basic skills of cheerleading.

In August, the team attended Cheer Michigan, a four day camp at Baker College where they learned cheers, stunts, gymnastics and most importantly, how to work together. Freshman Jennifer Kuzera remarked, "Camp was the hardest part of our summer train-

ing, but it was also the most fun."

The girls went into the season prepared with many new cheers and chants. The team improved with each passing game as they continued to challenge themselves with more difficult material.

Sophomore Angela Montalto stated, "This was a fantastic season. The football team went undefeated and it was our best season ever!"

*"Everybody
do the JV
rumble!
Everybody...
rumble..."*

Between cheers, a few team members flash smiles to their friends and family on the sideline.



Relieved to be done with a long week of camp, the JV girls are ready to go home.



Jenny Kuzera keeps one eye on the game.

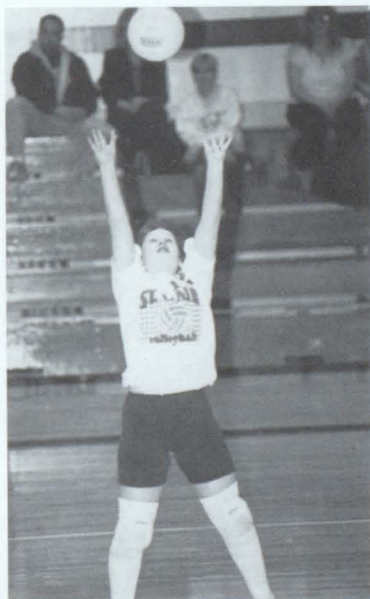


From top left: K. Tyburski, R. Gavilinski, Coach Patterson, H. Baciorowski, K. Cunningham, D. Botello, B. DeMara, A. Montalto, S. VanPelt, J. Kuzera, L. Fraley





97-98 Winter Athletics



As the winter months drew near, St. Clair High sports participants and fans alike made the change from hot chocolate at East China Stadium, to sneaking an occasional pop into the gym.

As soon as practices for winter sports started, so did the battle for gym time. Volleyball teams were usually double booked into the dark and tiny back gym, and Varsity Basketball and Cheerleaders often suffered through late practices. After school was not the only time the gym was in use; Freshman Basketball players could be seen downing bottles of coke while racing to first hour following 5:00 AM practice. The Boys Swimming team, however, was never subject to this confusion. They could always be found in the pool churning the chlorine smell into the cafeteria.

Early mornings and late bed times proved to be no match for St. Clair Athletics. All teams had great seasons and many records were broken.

Looking For a Dunk



This year's Varsity Basketball team had tremendous team unity. They were a group of friends brought together to form a strong force on the court. The chemistry and friendships on the team resulted in great success throughout their season.

The year began with the team traveling to Hope College in Holland, Michigan, to attend team camp. Following camp, the team spent a few extra days in Holland having fun and relaxing. During this time, they set team goals for the season; to improve every game and win the MAC Blue Division.

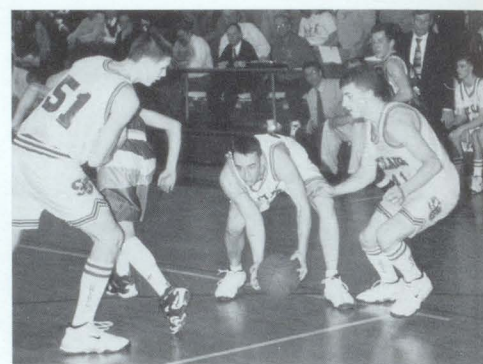
Practices were traditionally hard and intense but the team was

prepared to work hard in order to reach their goals. Justin Cardella and Branden Hill could be counted on for a bit of comic relief during the more stressful moments of the season.

"On the court, everyone works hard, there is no selfish play," said Team Captain Ryan Biewer. "We all play for the good of the team." This teamwork was apparent during the two close wins against Marysville. Everyone agreed these were the biggest wins for the team.

The team's rally call "St. Clair Saints what time is it? It's time to get loud, it's time to represent" could be heard every game night as the team pumped themselves up and prepared to take the floor.

While going for a dunk, Chad Muldermans gets great "hang time".



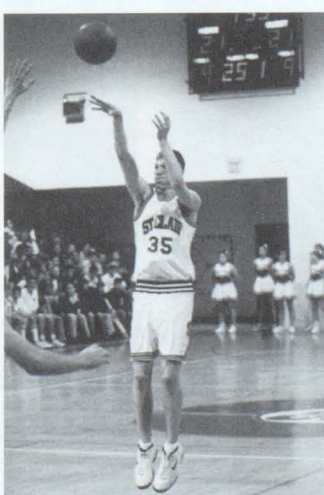
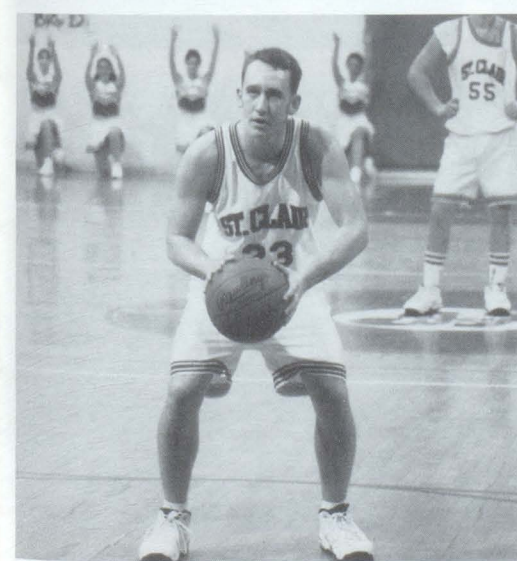
From top left: Coach Distelrath, B. Hill, M. Boullard, C. Muldermans, S. Freeland, S. Andrzejewski, Coach Monte, Manager R. Jenks, D. Zablocki, R. Biewer, C. Westrick, M. Zimmer, M. Distelrath, T. Shine, F. Seilheimer, A. Ross, J. Cardella



Catching a shoulder from an opponent Matt Distelrath completes a pass inside.



Leading the team through the tunnel, Aaron Ross appears focused on the big game.



"Money" for Mike Boullard.

As Ryan Biewer concentrates on the rim, Steve Freeland relaxes.

BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
P. H. Northern	42	55
Lutheran North	56	43
Marysville	62	60
Clintondale	49	53
Imlay City	55	64
Mt. Clemens	61	53
Algonac	59	46
South Lake	60	50
Warren Cousino	67	49
Marine City	30	38
Richmond	70	35
Marysville	42	39
Clintondale	63	53
Imlay City	41	54
Anchor Bay	37	62
Mt. Clemens	75	50
Algonac	52	54
Warren Cousino	62	44
Marine City	43	33
Richmond	64	54
Dist.- Algonac	61	38
Dist.- Marysville	49	55



Looking down



Court

It took a lot of hard work and dedication, but the Boys JV Basketball team had an excellent season, finishing with a winning record of 15-5.

This would not have been pos-

sible if the team had not put in the effort needed to become a winning team. Practices started back in November, and included running and drills, and also some fun things such as three point contests. As Matt Mollan stated, "Our practices were very fun, but they were also a lot of work."

The team swept their biggest rivals, Marine City and Marysville, beating them twice

each. The biggest game of the season was the Marine City game which ended in a double overtime win for the Saints. "The team really worked well together," said Craig Zarembo.

The JV team was able to maintain their team unity throughout the season and at the same time created many memorable moments along the way.

BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
PH Northern	55	51
Lutheran North	56	44
Marysville	44	42
Clintondale	40	44
Imlay City	41	50
Mt. Clemens	61	49
Algonac	48	39
South Lake	55	53
Warren Cousino	42	49
Marine City	53	48
Richmond	36	39
Marysville	57	51
Clintondale	34	49
Imlay City	61	47
Anchor Bay	64	40
Mt. Clemens	58	20
Algonac	38	31
Warren Cousino	67	38
Marine City	40	38
Richmond	60	49

Preparing to take the floor, the Saints get fired up.



Despite tough defense, Jim Jurzysa lays it up for two.



Suspended in mid-air, Nick Kafcas goes for a basket.



From top left: J. Jurzysa, P. Morgan, B. Stein, Coach Stevenson, J. Herrick, M. Karas, B. Psciuk, T. Brinker, C. Zarembo, R. Hamilton, N. Kafcas, J. Sein, K. Estrada, M. Mollan, B. Avila, J. Ross

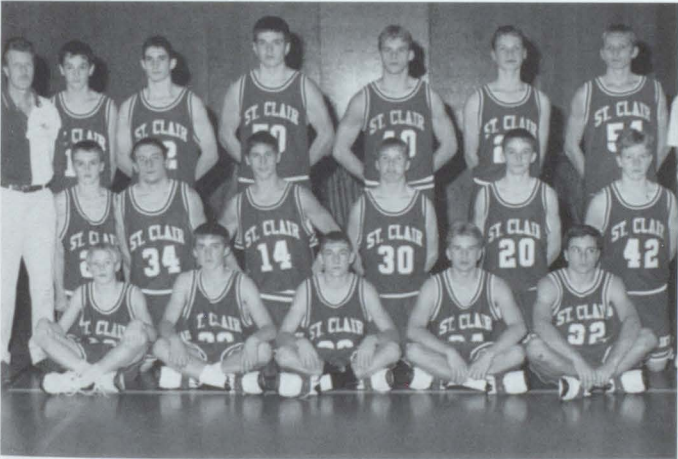


Athletics

Tough defense can't stop Aaron Schweihofer from driving to the hoop.



Coach McElreath and the team intensely watch from the sidelines.



From top left: Coach McElreath, M. Malane, A. Leitz, J. Turner, M. Mihelic, Asst. Coach Gunn, J. Tebeau, E. Pietrykowski, R. Cooper, T. Stier, E. Lipke, R. Zarembo, T. Schutter, B. Walker, C. Raymond, D. Swoish, A. Schweihofer



Wide open, Eric Lipke shoots for three.



BASKETBALL

	SC	OPP
Port Huron	35	49
Imlay City	44	37
Algonac	48	28
P.H. Northern	32	56
Marine City	45	25
Marysville	81	68
Richmond	48	24
Fraser	33	50
Port Huron	47	49
Lutheran North	53	49
Imlay City	51	57
Armada	52	42
Richmond	58	23
Armada	48	50
P.H. Northern	71	77
Algonac	35	49
Marysville	44	48
Warren Woods	60	50
Marine City	44	39

back to the Key

The Freshman Basketball team had an exciting season, highlighted by their wins against Marysville and Marine City. "They really brought the

team together," commented Brandon Walker.

These great wins would not have been possible without the great coaching and guidance of Mr. McElreath. Assistant coach Andy Gun also played a big role in the team's success, and was always around to make sure practices were fun.

Playing in high school is a lot different than any previous

level. When asked about the difference, Jacob Tucker said, "The talent level goes way up." Many players agreed that there is a lot more competition at the high school level, and their biggest advantage is their speed.

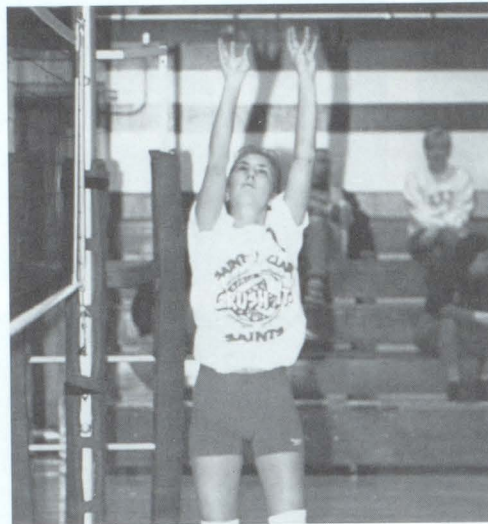
This Freshman Basketball season has certainly started these young players on the right track for excellent sports careers at St. Clair High.



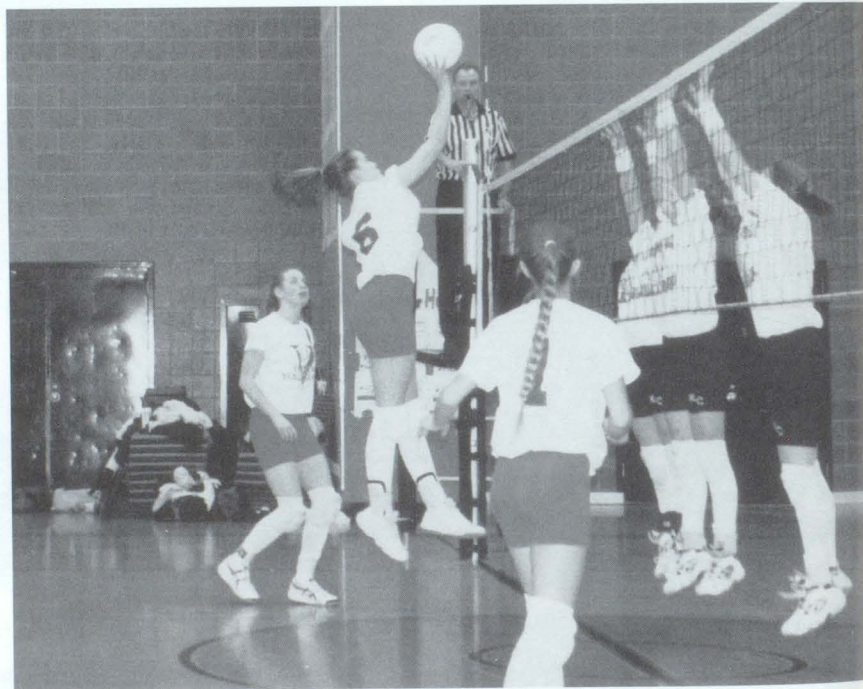
VOLLEYBALL

	SC	OPP
Tourn- Portage N.	3rd Place	
Cros Lex Tourn	1st Place	
L'anse Creuse Inv.	2nd Place	
Sterling Heights	0	2
Henry Ford II	2	0
Port Huron	2	0
Grosse Pointe S.	2	1
Tourn- Sag. Valley	3rd Place	
Eisenhower	2	0
Eisenhower	0	2
Stevenson	2	0
St. Clair Inv.	1st Place	
Sterling Heights	2	0
Henry Ford II	2	0
Port Huron	2	1
Grosse Pointe S.	2	0
N. Branch Inv.	1st Place	
Almont Inv.	3rd Place	
Stevenson	2	0
Districts	2nd Place	

Setter, Nikki Stephan, completes another perfect set.



Focusing on the ball, Renee Tylen prepares to complete a pass.



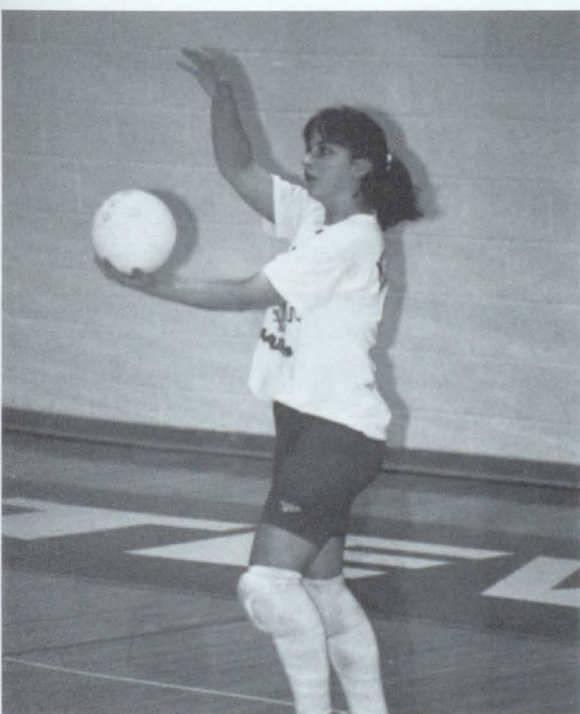
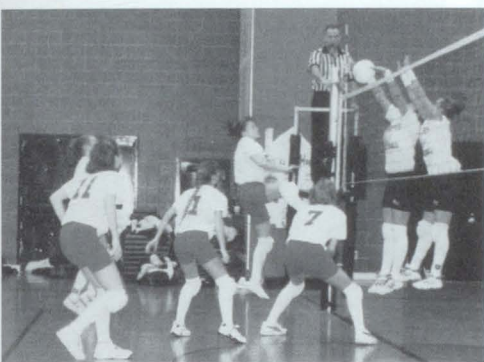
Junior, Stefanie Swierkosz, executes a perfect pass.



Ecstatic over their victory, the team embraces in celebration.



Receiving a serve, Brooke Klecha lunges for the ball.



Captain, Lisa Melczarczyk, concentrates on her serve.

blocking it **B**ack



The Varsity Volleyball team began their season searching for team unity. With this on their minds, the team traveled to Portage Northern for a challenging tournament, as well as a weekend of fun and bonding. Senior, Elaina Hall commented, "We played some of the best teams in the state. We learned our strengths and weaknesses, and set the tone for the rest of the season."

The team's main goal was to play with intensity throughout the entirety of each and every match. "When we are able to do this, we are truly unstoppable," remarked Senior Amanda Wright. Their intensity resulted in an extremely suc-

cessful season. Their accomplishments include finishing second in the MAC White Division, second in the District and winning three tournament titles. The team agreed that of all their wins, finishing first at the St. Clair Invitational was the most rewarding. Captain Lisa Melczarczyk stated, "We played extremely tough against Marine City in the semi-finals and raised our level of play in order to defeat Port Huron in the finals."

The players credit their season to the work ethic and desire. They are pleased with the respect they have earned throughout the area.



From top left: Coach Wiesner, K. Klieman, C. Berridge, B. Klecha, E. Hall, M. Holm, Coach Famiano, N. Stephan, L. Melczarczyk, A. Wright, R. Tylene Not pictured: S. Swierkosz

Looking to Spike

The JV Volleyball team had a exceptional season. Lead by Coach Danielle Meier, the team won 11 of their 12 league matches, finishing first in their division. Many of the tourna-

ments the team traveled to contributed to their success. They placed first at both the University of Michigan tournament, and the North Branch Invitational. They also placed respectably high at the St. Clair and Fraser Invitionals.

Winning wasn't the only thing on the minds of the JV Volleyball team, working together as a team was one of their main goals. "The team really pulled together

this year. At first we were just a bunch of individuals thrown together, but by the end of the season we had come together into sort of a big family," commented Freshman Katie Stockwell. The unity and teamwork of the JV Volleyball team brought them huge successes. This will most definately show next year when this group of talented girls moves up to play at the varsity level.

VOLLEYBALL

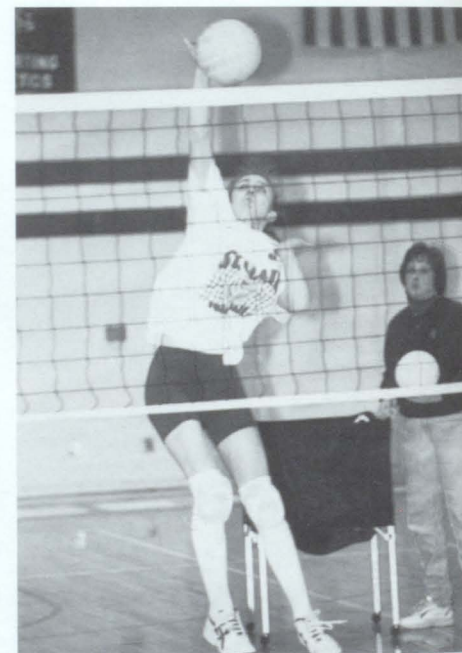
	SC	OPP
North Branch Inv.	1st Place	
Tourn- U of M	1st Place	
Fraser Inv.	6th Place	
Sterling Heights	2	0
Henry Ford II	2	0
Port Huron	2	1
Grosse Pointe S.	2	0
Stevenson	2	0
St. Clair Inv.	2nd Place	
Marysville	0	2
Sterling Heights	2	0
Henry Ford II	2	0
Port Huron	2	0
Grosse Pointe S.	2	0
Tourn- U of M	3rd Place	
Eisenhower	2	1
Stevenson	2	0

Congratulating each other on a great play, the JV team pumps each other up.



Amber Mareski prepares to pass the ball as her teammate backs her up.

Leaping high into the air, Amy Zobl makes perfect contact with the ball.



From top left: Caoh Meier, S. Strach, A. Zobl, A. Mareski, M. Treppa, E. Schwehofer, L. Andrzejewski, A. Klecha, J. Wiseman, M. Emerich, S. Swierkosz, C. Kerszykowski, K. Stockwell



Rising to the occasion, Katie Kulczewski delivers an amazing spike for the Saints.



With ease, Tricia Runge demonstrates a picture perfect pass.



From top left: D. Sayers, A. Corden, K. Kulczewski, C. Gore, N. Poisson, Coach Nixon, B. Szymanski, T. Runge, A. Douglass, S. Bond, L. Truiett, M. Gauthier, J. Emery, J. Plesz, K. Amsden



Giving 110%, Cathy Gore serves for an ace.



VOLLEYBALL

	SC	OPP
Richmond	2	0
Marysville	0	2
Tourn- Romeo	3rd Place	
Port Huron N.	2	0
Port Huron	2	0
Marine City	2	0
Romeo	0	2
St. Clair Invit.	1st Place	
Anchor Bay	2	0
L'Anse Creuse	2nd Place	
Algonac	0	2
Richmond	2	0
Marysville	1	2
Port Huron N.	0	2
Port Huron	2	0
Marine City	2	0
Tourn- Imlay City	5th Place	

Looking For an Ace

This year, the Freshmen Volleyball team had an exciting and trying season. The biggest obstacle was an unexpected change in the coaching staff. Mid-

way through the season, Coach Nixon resigned from his position creating a certain emptiness within the team. They soon realized that the void left by Coach Nixon could only be filled by fellow teammates and their new coach, Tricia Gapshes. After getting their leadership dilemma solved, the girls were full of spirit and on track, working towards a common goal: winning! Freshman Sarah Bond

stated, "Everybody on the team has a great attitude, this is probably one of the most encouraging teams I have ever played on." Beth Szymanski agrees, "We have an incredible amount of energy." All in all, this was a remarkable season for them. Not only did they overcome many obstacles, they did so without losing sight of what is most important, working together as a team.

back in the lanes

Record-breaking and team unity are two phrases that accurately describe the Boys Varsity Swim team. The team was made up of 25 talented individuals whose main goal was to stand alone atop the MAC Blue Division. Goal Accomplished!

The Saints had a fabulous season ending up 4-0 in dual meets and 8-1 overall. The Boys swept three Relay Meets, bringing home many trophies and medals to display proudly in the showcase for all to see.

"In order for us to win the Division Championships, we have to work as a team and really cheer each other on at meets and throughout our long

and grueling practices," Sophomore Erik Zimmerman commented.

The Saints broke five school records; the 200 yard Medley relay, 500 yard Freestyle, 200 yard Freestyle relay, 400 Freestyle relay, and the 100 Breaststroke. After breaking the 200 Freestyle relay record, Senior Nick Schindler commented, "Finally achieving one of my goals is one of the greatest feelings."

Coach Lucht stated, "This year's team worked extremely hard to become the MAC Champs. I've never seen them want anything this badly."

Gasping for air, Noel Lucht continues the winning tradition.



From top left: M. Westrick, N. Schindler, M. Bryer, P. Lindsay, S. Ingram, J. Blythe, S. Swierkosz, J. Parker, P. Marcoux, A. Bremerkamp, C. Ward, W. Potthoff, N. Lucht, G. Rowe, M. Phillips, B. Rettig, M. Seaman, P. Oleksiak, P. Stockwell, R. Schindler, E. Zimmerman, D. Moran, B. Pauly, J. Cook, K. Brinker, E. Summers, M. Enders, J. Cobean Not Pictured: J. Goodell, C. Huber



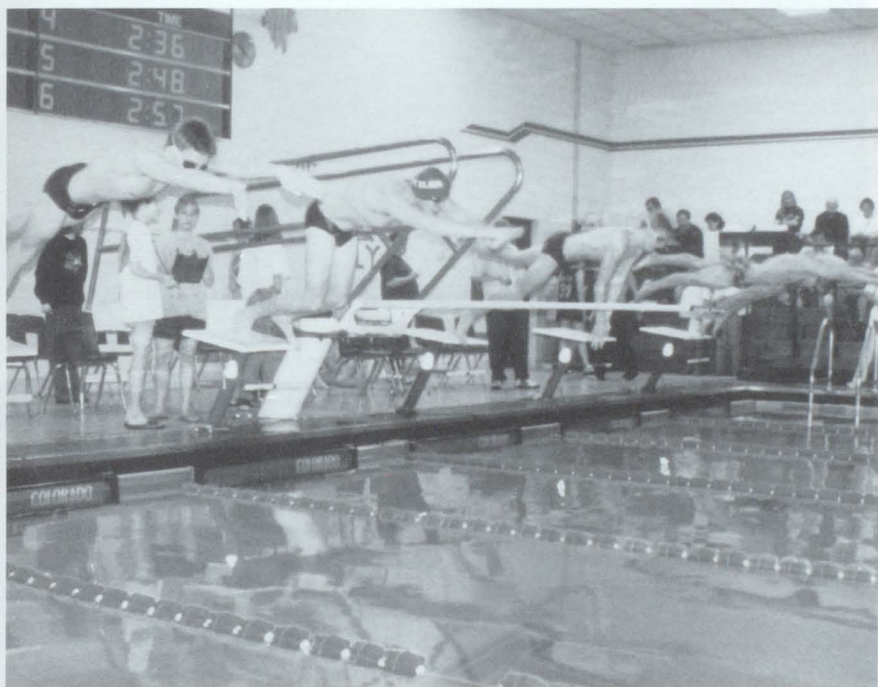
Sneaking a quick breath, Dave Moran strokes his way through the 500 yard freestyle.



Looking towards the finish line, Junior Bob Rettig, closes the gap for first place.



Celebrating after a victory, Sophomore Mike Enders jumps into a swim cap.



Pushing himself to the finish, Mike Enders pulls in a final stroke.



State qualifier, Paul Lindsay, scoops his way to the finish.

SWIMMING

	SC	OPP
Lakeshore	116	63
W. W. Tower Relays	2nd Place	
Marine City	113	63
Romeo	88	98
Warren Cousino	134	36
Marine City Inv.	1st Place	
St. Clair Inv.	1st Place	
Marysville	70	24
Mt. Morris Inv.	1st Place	
Lakeview	105	70
Mt. Clemens	136	25
Sterling Heights	119	70
MAC Championships	1st Place	



Competitive Cheerleading

Marine City	4th Place
Port Huron	4th Place
Ladywood	6th Place
DeWitt	7th Place
Regionals	4th Place

Gwen Gilbert and Megan Rose stand high over the gym in perfect extensions.



Performing their first round, the Varsity Cheerleaders pull a heel stretch.



Enthusiastically cheering on the team are Dawn Hardy and Angie Marchese.



Smiling pretty, the Varsity Cheerleaders cheer with perfect precision.



Athletics

Looking to



levate

"Boxing-out" is Amanda Lipke during a time-out cheer.



The Winter Varsity Cheerleaders did more than just cheer on the sidelines at games this year. The girls made a decision to get their feet wet and jump into the MHSAA Competitive Cheer format for the first time ever. To be successful this season, the girls physically and mentally prepared themselves with long, intense practices. Terrilynn Wheeler commented, "Practices are a lot longer and harder. We need every minute to choreograph and perfect our competition material."

The girls first competition was held in Marine City, where they competed against six Class B

teams. Placing fourth, the girls were extremely proud of their performance and were happy to have the first competition behind them. "We did a good job putting our nerves aside and performing our material to our capability," replied Megan Rose.

The girls worked hard the entire season preparing for one day, the day of Regionals. Although the team did not finish on top, they knew they had performed to the best of their ability and were pleased.

"All in all, the season was a huge success," commented Senior Ami Touchton.



From top left: T. Wheeler, J. Schulte, A. Touchton, J. Westrick, R. Gavliniski, J. Likins, Coach Jones, M. Meadows, S. Kuzera, A. Lipke, D. Hardy, M. Rose, G. Gilbert, A. Marchese, K. McCabe, A. Pauly Not Pictured: H. Baciowski

Lifted above the crowd, Gwen Gilbert performs at the Winterfest Pep Assembly.

back on the Court

The winter JV Cheerleading team began the season with seven new members and a new coach. The three returning cheerleaders helped the new members learn proper tech-

niques for jumps, stunts and precision.

When Brianne DeMara was asked how cheerleading has effected her social life she commented, "Cheerleading has caused my address to become SCHS." Practices were two grueling hours of perfecting chants, cheers, stunts, discussing team business and conditioning.

Throughout the course of the season, the team lost two girls due to

injuries. "Those two injuries really hurt us because they were our fliers. With them out we had to rely on one flier and that cut down on our stunting," Coach Minor stated.

The whole team agreed that getting along with each other was their most challenging goal to meet. They also agreed that when they got together and put cheerleading aside they were able to have a fantastic time.

The JV girls perform their favorite stunt during one of their crowd lines.



Elevating to excite the crowd, K. Cunningham stands atop D. Botello, B. Butlin, and J. Kuzera.



Katie Daniels thinks to herself, "Guys, when am I coming down?"

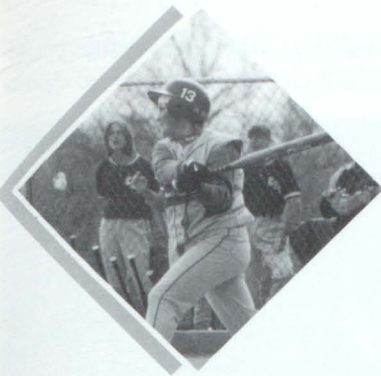


Angela Montalto and Brianne DeMara fire up the crowd.

From top left: K. Daniels, J. Bennett, L. Fraley, A. Montalto, B. DeMara, K. Langmesser, J. Kuzera, H. Baciowski, D. Botello, K. Cunningham, B. Butlin, A. Boulter



Athletics

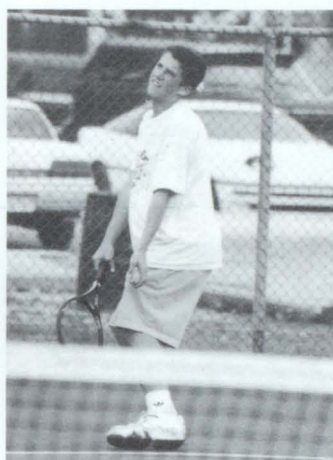


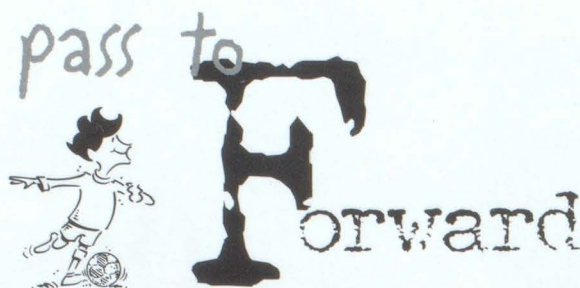
1998 Spring Athletics

As the cold winter winds became cold spring winds, and snowstorms turned to thunderstorms, the spring sports season began. The first few weeks of practice often took place in the gym or in inclement weather. Despite all of this, players, coaches, and fans alike were psyched for this season to begin.

The weather soon improved and blankets, umbrellas, and winter jackets were replaced by shorts, sun screen and sun glasses. This year, spring turned out to be one of the warmest and driest in recent memory. This warm weather brought new energy and enthusiasm to our teams. As a result, individuals and teams could be found putting forth great effort to improve their skills and have fun and successful seasons.

As the season went on a large number of underclassmen enjoyed new experiences, while seniors enjoyed their last opportunities to compete in high school athletics.





Watch out soccer fans, the St. Clair Varsity girls soccer team is here to stay. This year the girl's soccer team overcame some remarkable obstacles. Only a handful of players returned from last year, leaving the girls with the duty of getting adjusted to a whole new team. Automatically, they seemed to fit together. Not only did they play hard, but they also learned how to play hard as a team. Team Captain Katie Vollmer remarked, "There is no such thing as 'I' in our team. We all play together."

This progress in teamwork helped the girl's defeat their arch-rival Marysville 4-0. In this game the

girls pulled together and were determined to win. "We all knew that we were better, we just had to pull together and make it happen," commented freshman Kelly Tuohy. The match against Marysville was described by many as "the most amazing game of the year."

Even though this year was marked by triumph and victory for the team, they did not lose their focus on what means the most: working as a team and the spirit of the game. Megan Hortos added, "Spirit is the most important factor of the game. Even if we were losing, everyone still cheered for us and told us not to give up. That is what was truly special."

Aiming carefully, Kathy McCabe fires yet another ball through the defense.



From top left: Coach Douglass, A. McCarty, L. Andrejewski, K. Digan, S. Young, K. Tuohy, M. Chibani, Coach Vollmer, A. Hratchian, A. Douglass, A. Malinaro, K. McCabe, K. Vollmer, J. Putney, M. Demers, J. Eifert, S. Silver, N. Astari, M. Wiley, M. Hortos, D. Botello, N. Chibani, K. Amsden, B. Walendzik Not pictured: C. McClafferty



With a foot trap, Colleen McClafferty steals the ball.



With sharp percision, Andrea McCarty shoots for the goal.



Using a chest trap, Melissa Chibani snags the ball.




Goalie Desiree Botello saves a goal.

SOCCER

	SC	OPP
Lutheran N.	5	1
South Lake	0	3
Warren W. T.	4	2
Port Huron	3	1
Marysville	3	4
Marine City	4	1
Lake Shore	5	0
Algonac	8	0
Lakeview	1	3
Warren Firz.	9	1
Marine City	5	1
Mt. Clemens	6	1
Marysville	4	0
Alognac	4	1
Grose Point S.	1	7
Mt. Clemens	4	0
Warren Fitz.	9	1
Lakeshore - Dist.	0	3



Using her fancy footwork, Sara Silver blows past the opposing team.



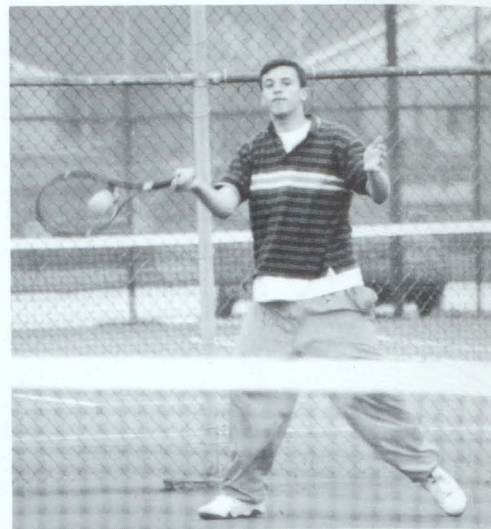
TENNIS

	SC	OPP
Marine City	6	2
Algonac	6	2
Marysville	4.5	4
Eisenhower	0	8
Stevenson	1	7
Grose Point N.	6th Place	
Port Huron	4	4.5
Sterl. Heights	4	4.5
Fraser	0	8
E. Detroit	4	4.5
Armada	3	5
MAC	5th Place	
Blue Water tourn.	3rd Place	
Mt. Clemens	0	8
Almont	0	8
Regionals	5th Place	

Aggressive number one singles player, Dustin Walker follows his serve to the net.



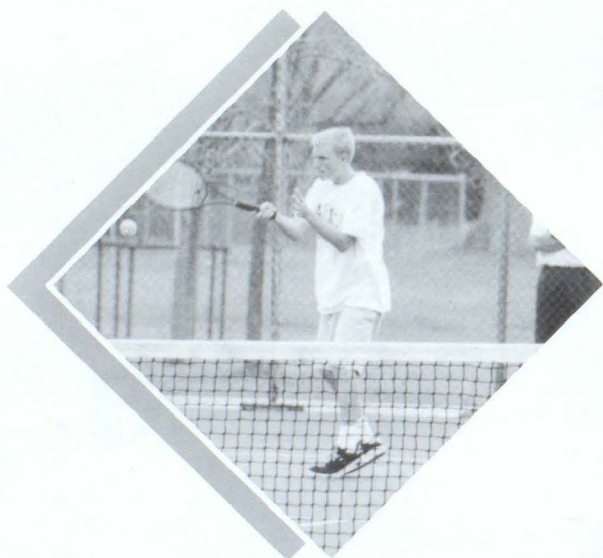
Focusing on the ball, Steve Andrzejewski makes perfect contact on his forehand.



Playing tough defense, Steve Vogel anticipates the return of partner Brant Herzer's serve.



Following through on his approach shot, Dave Zablocki rips a backhand down the line.



Athletics

Looking For I Love



Displaying perfect form, Josh Blythe hits a volley to the open corner.



In the midst of rebuilding the program, the boys tennis team continued to focus on improvement. They set their goals high enough to keep them motivated, but low enough that they wouldn't get discouraged.

Having all underclassmen on their starting line-up, the boys began their season with a lack of leadership from some rather inexperienced players. This would force the boys, as well as Coach Clutts to have to work twice as hard to succeed. Coach Clutts commented, "I have confidence in this group of boys. I know they have the potential to become excellent players. All it's going to take is repetition of their skills and a little determination."

As the season progressed, so did the players. "The progress we made in such a short time was incredible. We really came a long way," commented sophomore Jon Cobean.

When the season came to a close the boys were proud of their accomplishments. They had finished fifth in their league, as well as in their region. "Our goal was to finish in the middle. We were up against some pretty tough teams and were very pleased with the way everything turned out," commented Josh Friederich's.

With another season behind them, and more experience under their belts, it is apparent to all that these boys will soon become a tough team.



Christopher Tansuche focuses on stroking through the ball.



From top left: M. Phillips, D. Zablocki, B. Herzer, S. Andrzejewski, R. Drolz, J. Blythe, P. McDonell, P. Marcoux, Coach Clutts, A. Neumann, J. Friederichs, S. Vogel, S. Mollan, D. Werder, D. Walker, S. Constance, N. Lucht, J. Meredith, J. Ross, J. Cobean, M. Enders, C. Tansuche, J. Toepel, M. Mollan, K. Marciniak, A. Muldermans, M. Schweiger

back on Track

Legs were stretched and starting blocks were in place as this year's track teams raced to new speeds and heights, setting many records and having one of the best seasons ever.

Jeremy Mansell broke the 110 meter high hurdles record with a time of 15.37 seconds. Brandon Avila set a new pole vault record with a height of 13 feet. Records were also set in the 400 meter relay and the 800 meter relay. Freshmen Katie Daniels and John Cook broke records in the 1600 and 3200 meter events respectively.

Before their events, team members do a variety of activities to prepare themselves for competition. Brooke Klecha jumps around, trying

to stay warm and loosened up, while Melissa Jerry tries to stay focused on her sprints. "Staying focused is hard with everybody cheering around you." When asked what the shot putters do to warm up, Adam May replied, "Light up the grill." That is apparently a yearly tradition for the throwers.

This year the Saints sent the largest number of runners ever to the state meet. Seven boys, including all of the record holders, along with five girls were participants.

This year was a success for both teams. The girls team finished with an impressive 5-1 record, while the boys team was 4-2. The teams made strong names for themselves in their first year in MAC Gold division.

Receiving the hand-off, Abby Holodnick goes full out to complete her leg of the race.



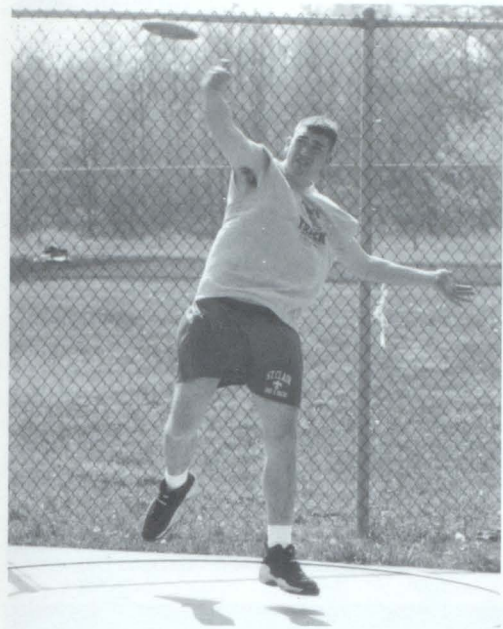
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From top left: Coach Fox, T. Sayers, B. Rossow, J. Turner, A. May, A. Kollmorgan, J. Forsythe, M. Halcrow, J. Hoover, T. DeMeulenaere, J. Jurzysta, K. Estrada, Coach Heislop, Coach Mahaffy, M. Callahan, J. Schumacher, J. McEllan, R. Zaremba, M. Seaman, M. Wahl, A. Holodnick, K. Turner, T. McLeod, P. Stockwell, S. Beauchamp, J. McAtamney, J. Cavis, K. Stowell, A. Schultz, M. Gutowski, M. Woodard, R. Christoff, J. Durham, J. Kostick, M. McRandall, J. Tebeau, S. Stockwell, C. Sprung, C. Huber, R. Jerry, C. Stotler, C. Bruce, D. Alley, J. Parker, J. Paulun, A. Wroblewski, J. Cardella, T. Shine, A. Schwehofer, M. Trombley, E. Summers, B. Avila, N. Kafcas, C. Zaremba, B. Stein, J. Cook, J. Mansell, K. Brinker, J. Ferlito, B. Avila, F. Seilheimer, J. Browne. Not Pictured: T. Pavlov



Releasing his discus, Mike Callahan continues his spin.



After receiving the hand-off, Jeff Browne sprints for the finish line.



Taking flight, Brandon Avila flies over the sandpit completing his long jump.

TRACK & FIELD

Girls

	SC	OPP
Marine City	76	50
PHN Relay	7th Place	
Warren W. T.	106	29
Anchor Bay Invite	3rd Place	
Warren Lincoln	104	27
Warren Firz.	45	33
Lakewiew	105	23
Marysville Invite	6th Place	
Algonac	30	107
Regionals	5th Place	
MAC Meet	2nd Place	

Boys

Marine City	50	76
PHN Relay	5th Place	
Warren W. T.	89	48
Anchor Bay Invite	5th Place	
Warren Lincoln	124	12
Warren Fitz.	91	37
Lakewiew	117	20
Algonac	56	81
Regionals	4th Place	
MAC Meet	2nd Place	



Racing to the finish line, Crystal Kerszykowski clears the last hurdle in the 300 meter race.



SOFTBALL

	SC	OPP
Port Huron	1	7
Port Huron	5	3
Imlay City	2	14
Algonac	3	5
Armada Tourn.	5	4
Marysville	2	12
Clintondale	15	0
Richmond	1	5
Marine City	5	9
Mt. Clemens	15	2
Imlay City	1	8
Marysville Invite.	0	4
Algonac	12	2
Marysville	0	4
Troy Tourn.	6th Place	
Richmond	1	6
Cros-Lex	1	6
Marine City	6	13
Mt. Clemens	15	0

With her eye on the ball, Laura Keely prepares to swing.



Sliding into home, Renee Brown scores for the Saints.



Carrie Shine swings hard and connects for a base hit.



Preparing to bunt, Renee Brown waits for the pitch.



Athletics

Catcher, Holly Fountain, makes the play at home to end the inning.



Looking to S^{teal}



The Varsity Girls Softball team went into the season with three main goals; make less than three errors per game, try to win every game, and most importantly have fun. The Softball team finished this year with an 11-17 record.

"Trying to meet our goal of not making more than three errors per game was hard to achieve, but we accomplished it as a team," Jenni Pauly said after a season of hard work and determination. The team figured that the fewer errors they made, the greater their chance for success on the field.

The team started the year with a double header against Port

Huron. Keeping their goals in mind, they played hard but finished the day with a split.

Despite the setback the team held strong to their goals throughout the season. Playing to the best of their ability and pushing themselves to the limit was worth every ounce of energy.

The girls also proved that they could play hard and still have fun. "The girl who has the last laugh always wins," said senior Renee Brown. She and Carrie Shine finished the season as All-League players in the MAC Silver division. Melissa Emeric and Laura Keeley each earned an Honorable Mention.



Concentrating on throwing strikes, Janiene Distelrath begins her motion.



From top left: Coach LaClear, Coach Motte, A. Lucht, J. Distelrath, L. Keeley, M. Emeric, W. Biscarner, H. Fountain, R. Brown, V. Kerszykowski, N. Jepson, C. Shine, S. Bond, J. Pauly, M. Carter, K. Fajardo

back on the D iamond



Hey batter, batter, batter. Who can resist the vision of blue skies and the smell of green grass, combined with the sound of dug-out chatter, cleats crunching on the infield, and a bat connecting with the perfect pitch? That is baseball. That is America's game.

The Saints Varsity Baseball team got off to a rocky start this season. They began the year with an 0-5 record before seeing their first win. They battled some tough opponents and struggled to develop a sense of team unity.

However, once team unity was established and everyone discovered their role on the

team, they were able to win a number of big games; including victories against Algonac and Marine City on the road.

As the Saints season came to a close, they were victorious in seven of their last ten regular season outings. Coach Mallwitz commented, "We struggled at the beginning, but we improved tremendously and played very well the last few weeks of the season." "In the end we played hard and made great plays," said senior Ryan Biewer.

This strong finish, coupled with the best spring weather in recent years, made for a great baseball season.

Jason Tyrell slows up as he arrives safely at third.



From top left: J. Tyrell, R. Biewer, K. Moran, M. Sell, J. Thorne, J. Liebetreu, M. Mihelic, B. Rettig, S. Ingram, J. Herrick, M. Boullard, D. Bacon, R. Blake, M. Zimmer, Coach Mallwitz, N. Biringer, R. Hamilton, D. Wcisel, J. Gomola, Coach White



Homerun hitter, Scott Ingram, crushes the ball for the Saints.



Attempting to beat the play at third, Dave Wcisel slides in safely.



Winding up to deliver, Kurt Moran throws strikes.



Mike Boullard frames the ball for his pitcher.



Outfielder, Jason Tyrell, makes a sliding catch to end the inning.



BASEBALL

	SC	OPP
Chippewa Valley	2	5
Chippewa Valley	1	3
Romeo	3	9
Friendship Tourn.	3rd Place	
New Haven	7	3
New Haven	6	2
Imlay City	8	3
Algonac	2	7
Marysville	0	8
Clintondale	8	9
Richmond	3	7
Marine City	2	3
Mt. Clemens	14	6
Mt. Clemens	6	4
Imlay City	9	3
Algonac	5	1
Marysville	3	6
Clintondale	7	8
Lutheran N.	0	8
Lutheran N.	11	1
Richmond	6	3
Marine City	6	4
Marysville - Dist.	1	3



Looking Home

"As the season progressed so did our team," commented Coach Osterland. Each game brought opportunities to discover weaknesses and the girls were able to overcome

them with hard work throughout every practice.

Consisting of mostly freshmen, the team was inexperienced. Team member Lindsey Mackley commented, "This was definately a rebuilding season, where we learned fundamentals of the game and how to play as a team."

Being a part of the team was a great experience for everyone involved. "I met a lot of new friends and

had a great time trying to improve my game," commented Kara Leverence.

The girls finished the season at 2-14. They fought their hardest during each game and no matter what the outcome, they knew they always gave 110%. Dana Mihelic stated, "Even though we usually lost, we each played our personal best and had a lot of fun. We learned that hard work pays off even when you don't have the best record."

SOFTBALL

	SC	OPP
Port Huron	0	19
Port Huron	5	9
Imlay City	1	18
Algonac	6	16
Marysville	3	14
Richmond	1	5
Marine City	0	14
Mt. Clemens	26	2
Imlay City	1	12
Algonac	1	12
Marysville	5	18
Richmond	2	12
Cros-Lex	6	8
Cros-Lex	2	17
Marine City	0	13
Mt. Clemens	22	4

Focusing on the strike zone, Stephanie Minano rocks and fires.



Low and away is where Jackie Sargent gives the target.



Following an easy out at first, Riley Pauly throws it around.



From top left: M. Woodman, N. Poison, D. Mihelic, B. DeMara, M. Biscarner, V. Gotautas, J. Sargent, R. Pauly, Coach Osterland, T. Markel, K. Stockwell, M. Carter, K. Leverence, S. Minano, L. Mackley, J. Defrane



Pitcher Matt Mihelic threw for both the JV and Varsity Saints during the season.



Paul Morgan delivers the winning pitch for the Saints.



BASEBALL

	SC	OPP
Friendship Tour.	1st Place	
Imlay City	6	7
Algonac	11	3
Marysville	3	4
Clintondale	3	5
Richmond	1	5
Marine City	1	4
Mt. Clemens	12	0
Mt. Clemens	12	3
Imlay City	7	1
Algonac	11	0
Marysville	1	8
Clintondale	14	3
Lutheran N.	17	6
Lutheran N.	23	0
Richmond	11	5
Cros-Lex	7	0
Cros-Lex	12	2
Marine City	7	0



From top left: C. Badger, T. Runge, M. Lukasak, J. Jones, P. Morgan, R. Kreger, M. Karas, M. Malane, B. Walker, M. Mihelic, M. Distelrath, S. Eames, Coach McElreath, Coach Crisenbery, B. Psciuk, J. Hill, T.J. Brinker, A. Leitz, C. Raymond, Coach Covington



Leading off first, Paul Morgan looks to steal.

back to Bases

Before stepping out on the field this season, members of the JV Baseball team already had already set their sights on a division championship. In order to achieve this goal the JV Saints would need lead-

ership from experienced players and dedication and commitment from each individual player.

Working towards their goal, freshman Brandon Walker stated, "In order to win, we needed to eliminate all of the mental mistakes in the field. When we did this we were able to wing games." Coach McElreath added, "Their hitting improved, their confidence rose and the mental mistakes soon diminished."

The JV Saints finished the season with a seven game winning streak and in third place in their division. "I couldn't believe how well we played at the end of the season," commented Coach McElreath. "We were all thrilled with how much we improved both as individuals and as a team," stated freshman Charlie Raymond.

Despite falling short of their team goal, everyone was happy with their 14-6 record.



Community 98

From "Paint the Town", to blood drives and holiday babysitting, St. Clair High School is a visible part of the community. In addition to these events, the school also holds the annual Dream Run for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, a haunted house and a fashion show. These are just a few of the activities that have taken place this year that allow students to give back to their community. To show their appreciation, local businesses support and sponsor our publications and charity events. They take out ads in the yearbook and seasonal sport programs, and many contribute to our work for charities.

Members of the community who do not have high school students will also attend athletic events and play productions simply to support SCHS. Working together, SCHS and the community strive to make St. Clair a great place to live.



Karn Patterson

98

Princess,

*The world awaits you!
You will always have our
love and support.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and Jared*



Terrilyn Mazzie

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*Good luck in everything
you do!*

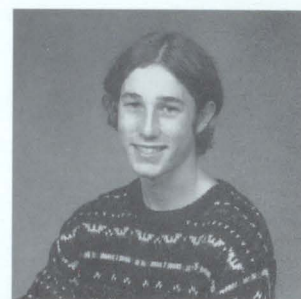
*We love you,
Mom, Dad, Joe and Mark*

Ben Skudrna

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*May you achieve
your dreams and
stay true to yourself.
We love you and
are very proud.*

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



Nadine Wurn

98



*Congratulations, Peach!
We love you.*

*Mom & Dad
Jeff, Delores, Jessica and Kevin*

Lisa Melczarczyk

98

*Lisa,
Remember, you have the power to do and be
anything you want. We always have- and al-
ways will support you 100%. YOU MAKE US
PROUD!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and Michael*



Jeanne Likins

98

Beaners,

*Remember no matter where you are, or
what you do, our love will always be with
you.*

*We love you,
Mom, Dad and your 4 brothers*



Ami Touchton

98

Congratulations AMI TOUCHTON

*That tiny voice, you're never loud.
Angels likeness, on your cloud.
With strong ideals, you're head unbowed.
You'll stand out tall in every crowd.
Mom and I couldn't ever be more proud.*

*We Love You,
Ma & Da*

Jeremy Mansell

98

Jeremy,

*From the first day of school
until the last, you were al-
ways number one. We're
proud of you.*

Mom and Dad



Jeanne Holladay

98

*Always believe in yourself
and your dreams will
come true.*

*Congratulations,
Mom, Dad, Bruce and Joanna*



Alexa Hollweg

98



*Alexa,
From the classroom to
the softball diamond,
from the tennis court to
homecoming court, it's
been a great 4 years.
Thanks for all the memo-
ries!*

*Love,
Mom Dad & Elena*

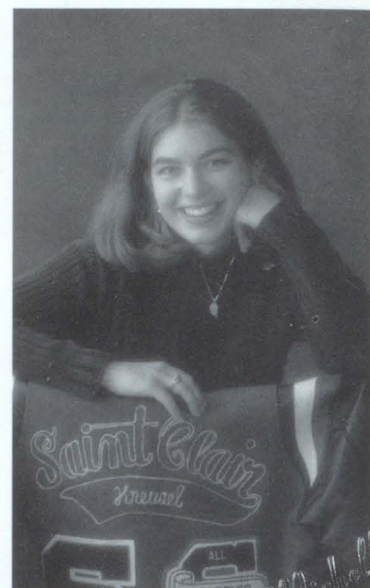
Michelle Kreusel

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*We always knew
you had what
it takes. From start
to finish, you are
the best in our books.*

*Love Always,
Mom
&
Dad*



Amanda Lipke

98

Amanda,

*Congratulations!
We're very proud
of you! Best wishes
for a future full of
happiness. May all
your dreams come
true.*

*Lots of Love,
Dad, Mom, Eric &
Matt*



Joe Ferlito

98

Joe,

*We are so proud of
you. You have ac-
complished so much
through the years
and we know it was
hard work. As you
know, there is still
more to come. We
have faith in you and
know you can do it.
We love you very
much.*

*Love you,
Mom, Dad, Jennifer
& Frankie
XXX OOO*



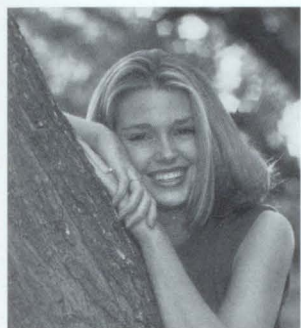
Molly Holm

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Molly,

*Keep your ideals
high enough to
inspire you and
low enough to
encourage you.*



*Love always,
Mom, Dad,
Megan and Erinn*

Anna Stanley

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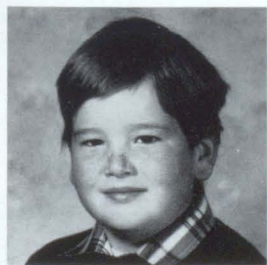
*All our love
and best
wishes to
you, Anna!*

*Mom, Dad and
Marc*



Nicholas May

98



Nicholas,

*We are so proud of you and
your accomplishments.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Adam & Justin*

Elaina Hall

98

*All Right!
ELAINA*

Way to go!

Yeah!

*We knew that you could, and we knew that you would,
And with God's help, you did!*

*Now the future has more new battles in store,
And we know that you'll win them all.*

*And when all the stuff is
over and done,
We'll still think to our-
selves, "Whatta kid!"*

*May you remain often
cheerful, and rarely
dejected-- (You're a much
greater blessing than we
ever expected!)*

*Love,
Mom, Dad,
Eric & Tawnya*



Sara Gotartas

98

*Congratulations!
We are very proud and
we love you.*

Brooke,

*You have certainly come a long way,
From playing with "people" and Candy Land all day.
Soon you will begin on your career path,
Attending college for an education degree in math.*

*So much for Dad's alma mater maize and blue,
For a Michigan State Spartan may be the choice for you.
We'll come visit in "The Beast", your favorite car,
But don't worry, it will still make it that far.*

*Making sure your room is in order while away,
Since anxiously awaiting to occupy it is Amber Rae.
The driveway b-ball games of aggression and wit,
You'll miss the dude, come on, admit it.*

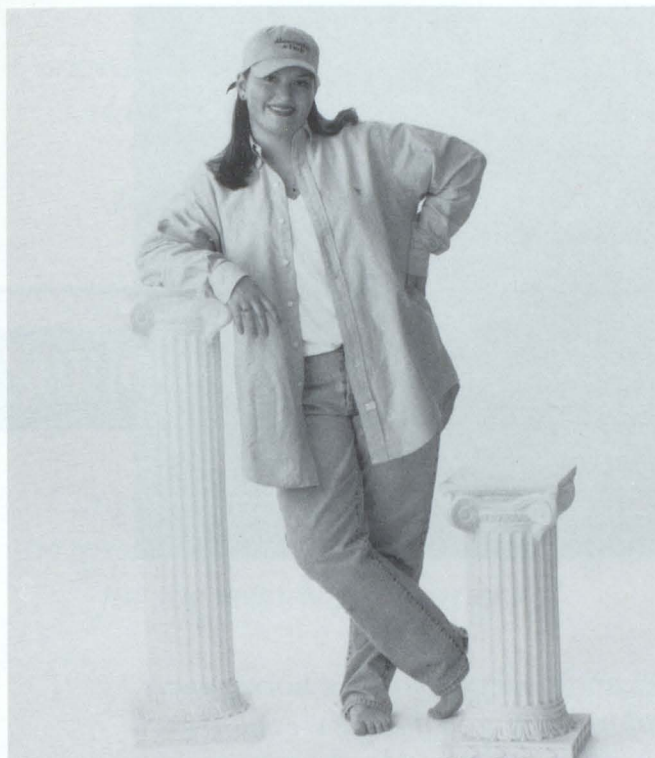
*Remember the spring-break beach of Manzanillo we had fun,
The tie at free-throws but Mom should have won.
So talented in basketball, volleyball, and track-a true sport,
We all enjoyed cheering for the "Big Dog" on the court.*

*You have a real knack for having fun,
A beautiful person, always there for everyone.
Your family will always be supportive of you,
For you strive to be the best in all you pursue.
Yo te amo mi amiga y hermana.*



Renee Brown

98



Renee,

We love your wonderful sense of humor and everything else about you! Life holds great things. Enjoy!

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Scott and Andy*

Early Bird

*Oh, if you're a bird be an early bird.
And catch the worm for your breakfast plate.
If you're a bird be an early bird.
But if you're a worm, sleep late!*

*- Shel Silverstein
Where The Sidewalk Ends*

Rob Christoff

98

*Seems like only yesterday you headed off to school...
The time had come to spread your wings and learn the
Golden Rule-*

*We held back tears and waved good-bye as you
stepped up on the bus...*

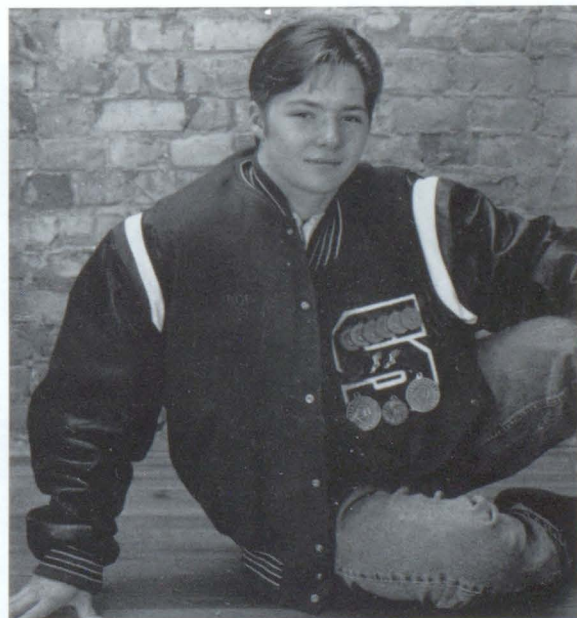
*You looked at us as to say "Wow, what is all the fuss?"
The years have come and gone so fast, it's so hard to
believe...*

*It's time to spread your wings again but this time you
will leave-*

*We can't begin to tell you how proud we are today...
You've done so well, you will succeed, and we'll be with
you all the way!*

*Congratulations and Good Luck Rob at Michigan
State!*

*We love you so much,
Mom & Dad*





Ted,

When you were small you always liked horses and now you still like horse power. There's never been a dull moment, and we wouldn't change a thing if we could (well maybe a couple). You've grown up to be a caring, generous and loving person with a sense of humor (as you put it) better than your Dad's, which has been a real pleasure and accomplishment for us. God blessed us with you and we couldn't be more proud of you if we tried. We love you very much!

*Mom and Dad
XX-OO*



Jessica Krul

98

*Congratulations to Jessica and all of her
classmates - the class of 1998!!*

From Mom, Dad and Brad

Seniors

98

*Congratulations and best wishes to
the graduating class of '98. Thank you
for the wonderful memories!*

The Yearbook Staff

Vicki Kerszykowski

98

Victoria,

*From the top
of your head to
the tip of your
toes, you're a
terrific daughter
and sister. We
are proud of
you!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad,
Crystal & Steve*



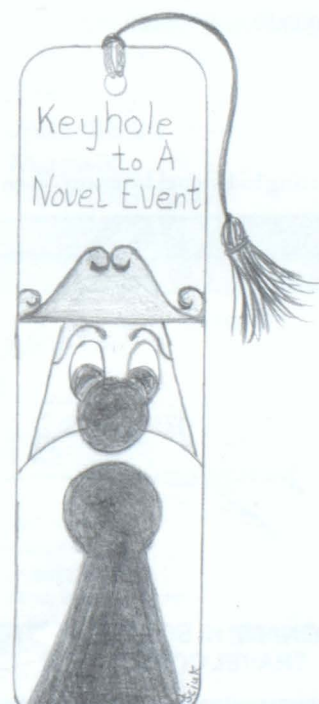
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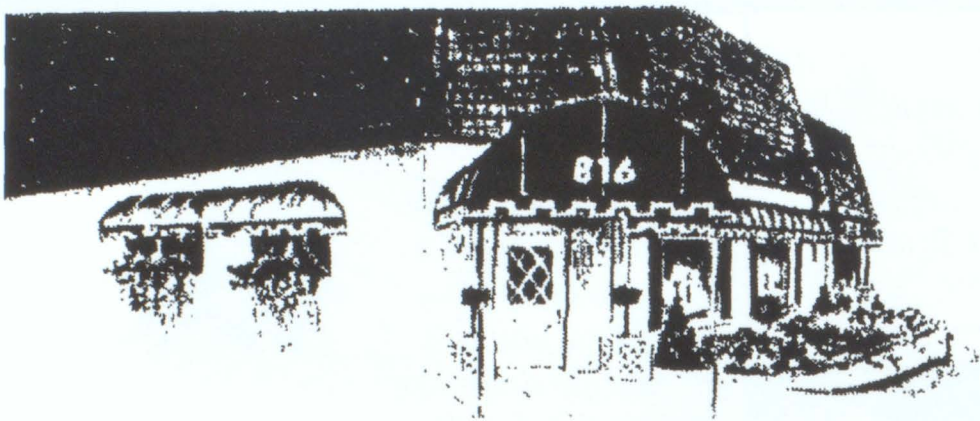
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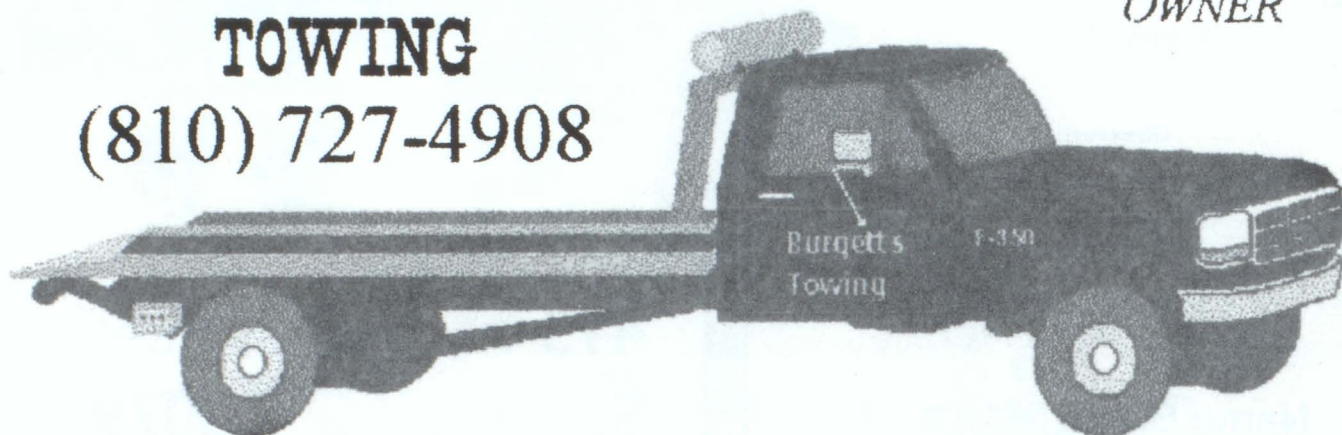
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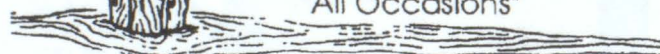
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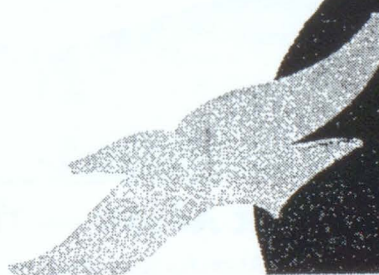
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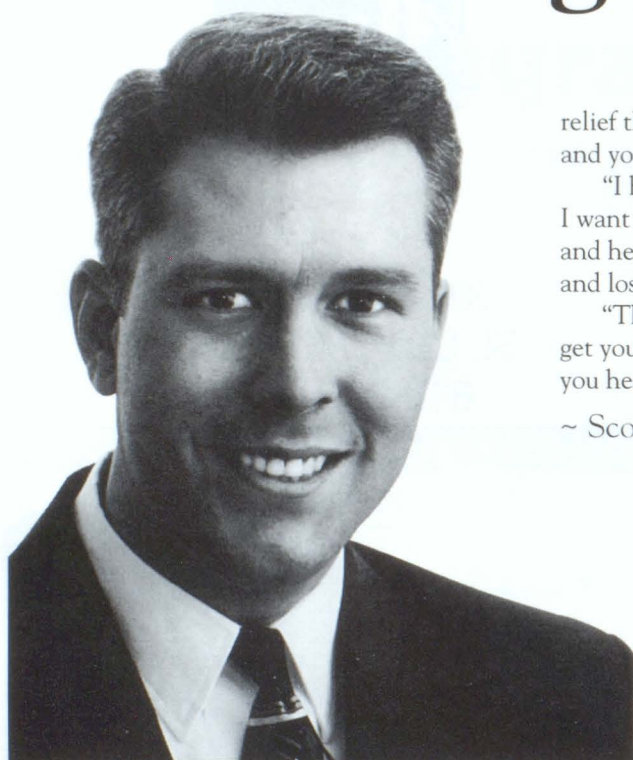
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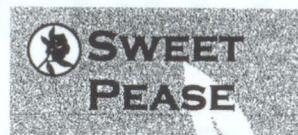
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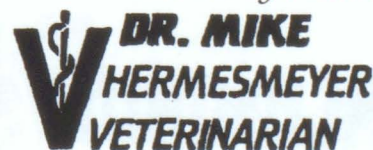


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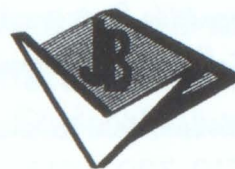
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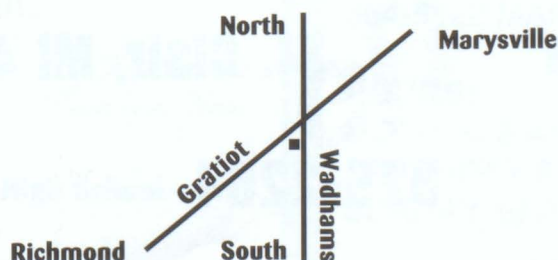
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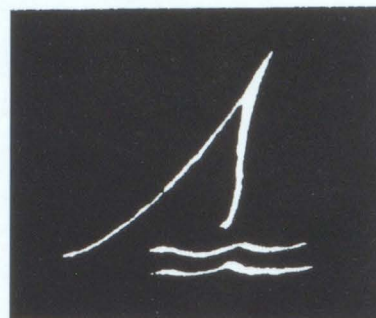
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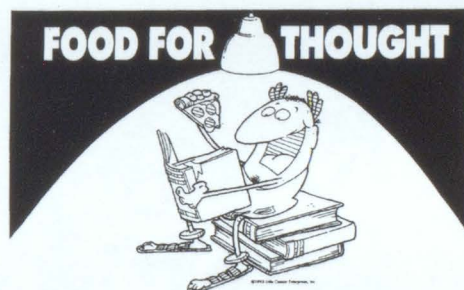
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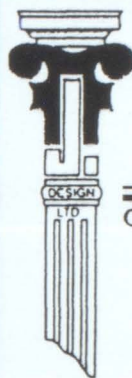
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Animals found in lockers from a clever senior prank

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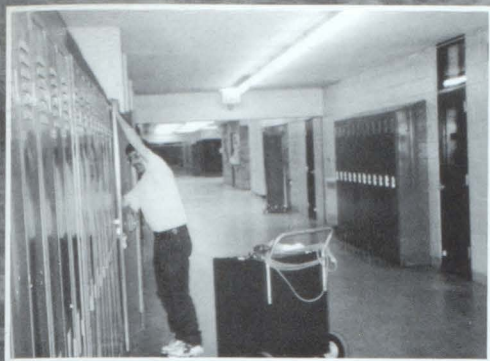
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Keeping SCHS in working order, custodian Ed Wiginton repairs a senior locker.



Preparing for the parade, Renee Tylen, Sarah Armstrong and Julie Adamson put the finishing touches on the junior float.



Paying close attention to the action on the field, Kara Leverence roots for the JV Saints.

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 Burke, Christopher 43
 Burns, Kevin 77, 78, 124
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At the spring dance Brant Herzer and John Hoover enjoy a lift from Tom Demeulenaere and Adam May.



Ron Mitchel enjoys the spring weather while working on his sketch book.



Bess Wassman and Clara Berridge receive instructions on how to make homecoming palm trees.

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in the school
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mad dash after
sixth hour

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making it
difficult to get
to class.

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Nate Biringer leaves his mark on Mike Sell's car.



An unsuspecting Mike Zimmer nibbles his way toward Mr. Monte at the first pep assembly.



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Showing her not-so-normal side, Amanda Johnson sports her tanning goggles.



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During his TA hour, Jeremy Mansell takes a nap on the library couch.

Laine Fraley enjoys spending first hour with her special friend from Woodlands Developmental Center.

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Freshmen find a table on the stage to eat lunch while upperclassmen enjoy the benefits of open campus.



Starting a new tradition, seniors make a mad dash for the pool before sixth hour.



With a smile and a wave, Burt Beauchamp, Kurt Brinker, and Brandow Sawdon head for their lockers.

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During the homecoming parade, the JV girls basketball team throws candy into the crowd.



Taking a break from the fun, Elania Hall and Amy Fandricks, grab a quick bite to eat at the all-night party.



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Zack O. and Mike Barker sport togas for the seniors' final day

Uniforms. Cheerleaders get new uniforms for competition

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Megan Rose enjoys her favorite past-time...eating



Looking for an Asprin

The production of Volume 48 of the St. Clair High School yearbook was finished on June 12, 1998 at 1:07:43pm. When completed, it contained 224 pages, including an eight page fold-out. The production process took over 10,000 hours of work before, during and after school.

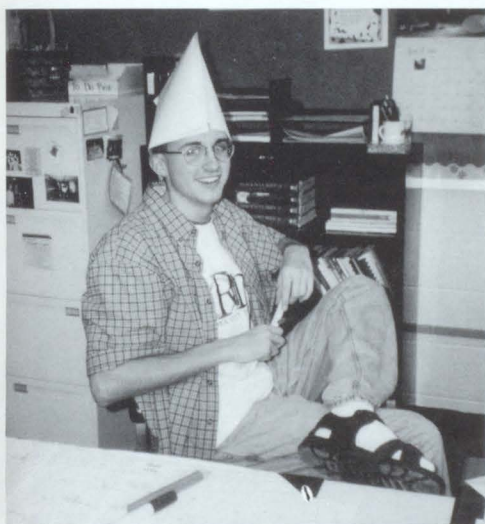
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Four IBM computers and one laser printer were used for desktop publishing to create and layout this year's book. These include: Explode Mode, Fontless, Zip Impaired, Sleepy and Moody.

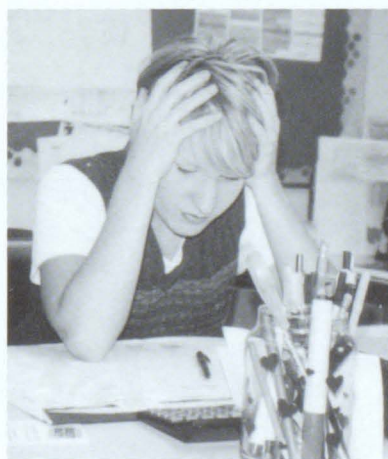
Many programs were used for production including: Adobe PageMaker 5.0, Yeartech from Jostens, and Microsoft Office.

The official yearbook photographer was Mrs. Karen Psciuk, team photos were provided by Prestige Studios and various other photographs were taken by staff members.

Total production costs were \$33,000. In order to pay these costs, staff members sold \$10,000 in advertisements to the community. Book sales increased this year with staff members selling a total of 650 to a student population of 850.



Consulting over advertising sales, Bill Senavaitis, Molly Holm and Miss Jones develop a strategy.



AGHHHH!!!! When will this ever end?

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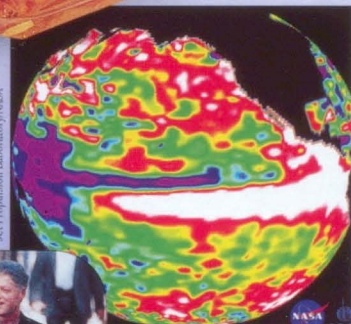


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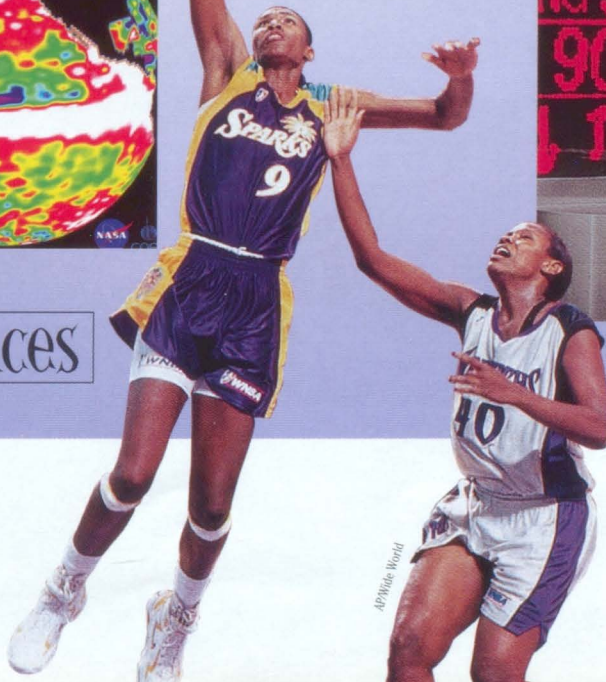


World

Faces



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Lifestyle

World news



Agence France-Presse

Asian economic turmoil triggers global unrest. In October, Hong Kong's stock market crashes. Asian countries receive billions in bailout dollars from the International Monetary Fund.

Agence France-Presse



Hong Kong reverts to China at 12:01 a.m., July 1, after 156 years of British colonial rule. China says Hong Kong will continue its Western way of life and free-market economy.

A 15-day school strike in Ontario, Canada, affects 2.1 million students. Late in October, 128,000 teachers walk out to protest a controversial bill that would alter educational funding and centralize government control of education.



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Montserrat, once called "the Emerald Isle of the Caribbean," is devastated by ongoing eruptions from a volcano that had been dormant for 400 years. Two-thirds of the populace evacuates.



Savino, Sipa

Powerful earthquakes in central Italy kill 11 people and damage art treasures, including centuries-old frescoes by Italian Renaissance painters, in the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.

Jan 1, 2000

Governments and businesses worldwide race to remedy the "Year 2000" problem. Unless key computer systems are reprogrammed to recognize dates in the new century the world faces the threat of catastrophic failure in critical areas like banking, air safety, public utilities and defense.

flash

Change sweeps Great Britain as Labor Party leader Tony Blair's landslide election in May 1997 ousts the Conservatives and makes Blair, at 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

Hurricane Pauline slams into Mexico's Pacific coast in October, causing flash floods, landslides and at least 200 fatalities. The resort city of Acapulco is heavily damaged.



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The remains of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, martyred Marxist revolutionary, are laid to rest in Cuba in October, 30 years after his execution in Bolivia, where his bones recently had been found.



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After 32 years of autocratic rule, President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire is deposed in May 1997 and later dies in exile. His successor, Laurent Kabila, changes Zaire's name to Democratic Republic of the Congo.



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Halloween fever seizes France. At the base of the Eiffel Tower in Paris 8,000 pumpkins are displayed, and French children participate in an American-style Halloween celebration.

- President Jiang Zemin of China meets for summit talks with President Bill Clinton in October, the first visit in 12 years of a Chinese leader to the U.S. During his stay, demonstrators protest China's treatment of Tibet.



Tom Graham, Sigma

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- One of the most poignant images of Diana's funeral: her young sons following her coffin into Westminster Abbey.



- The death of "the people's princess" generates an emotional outpouring of love and grief, evidenced by floral tributes heaped at Diana's Kensington Palace home.

- Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.



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- At the funeral, Elton John performs "Candle in the Wind 1997," rewritten in tribute to Diana. The recording quickly sells more than 35 million copies, becoming the best-selling single of all time. Sales proceeds benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.



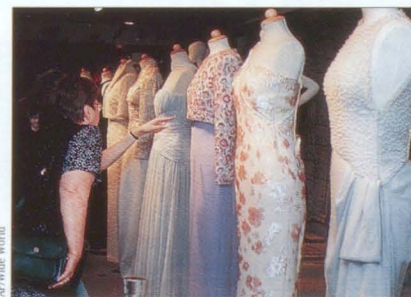
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flash

Floods, drought and mismanagement in North Korea create a severe famine. As many as a million North Koreans die of starvation.

Pope John Paul II visits Communist Cuba in January 1998, the first time a pope has done so. During his five-day visit the pope celebrates public masses and meets privately with President Fidel Castro.

- Crisis flares again in Iraq in late 1997 as Saddam Hussein protests U.N. sanctions and blocks inspection of suspected Iraqi weapon sites.



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- In June, shortly before Diana's death, an auction of 79 of her evening gowns raises \$3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities. Top price paid for a single gown: \$222,500.

National news



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On July 23 suspected murderer Andrew Cunanan, 27, commits suicide in Miami Beach. Cunanan was the prime suspect in a cross-country killing spree that left five dead, including fashion designer Gianni Versace.

Once-mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when arch-rival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a \$150 million bail-out in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.



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Americans join "Stop the Violence" campaigns nationwide in an attempt to generate awareness of and solutions to the problem of violence in America.

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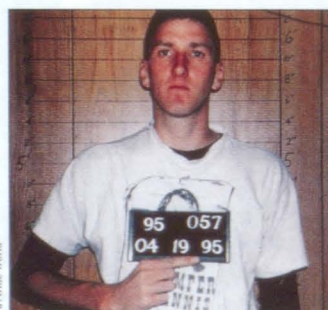
Theodore Kaczynski admits he is the Unabomber responsible for killing 3 people and injuring 29 others in an 18-year bombing campaign. His January 1998 guilty plea spares Kaczynski the death penalty but condemns him to life in prison with no possibility of release.

UPS workers take to the picket lines in an August strike lasting 15 days. The eventual settlement is seen as a major labor victory.



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British nanny Louise Woodward, 19, is convicted in Massachusetts of murdering a child in her care. The judge later reduces the charge to involuntary manslaughter and releases her.



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Timothy McVeigh is convicted of murder and conspiracy in June for the April 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. McVeigh is later sentenced to death.

Brooks Kraft, Sygma



In April 1997, floods ravage the entire Red River Valley between Minnesota and the Dakotas. Ninety percent of downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota, is under water.



Jonathan Elderfield, Gamma/Liaison

Joe Camel is snuffed out as the Federal Trade Commission bans tobacco advertising aimed at minors and institutes sweeping tobacco advertising restrictions.



Patrick Heagerty, Sygma

First Lt. Kelly Flinn accepts a general discharge from the Air Force, avoiding court-martial for lying about an affair and disobeying orders. Flinn had been the first and only female B-52 pilot in the service.

▶ A rare urban tornado prowls through Miami on May 12, uprooting trees, shattering windows and snapping power lines. Fortunately, the storm inflicts only minor injuries.

Arthur Harvey, The Miami Herald



Reuters/Archive Photos



▶ Attorney General Janet Reno refuses to name an independent prosecutor to investigate Clinton administration fundraising, causing friction with FBI Director Louis Freeh.



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▶ Bobbi McCaughey, Carlisle, Iowa, gives birth November 19 to seven babies, the U.S.'s first living septuplets. McCaughey and her husband Kenny now have eight children.

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▶ At the Internet/Online Summit in December, Vice President Al Gore announces government initiatives to protect young Internet users from online pornography.



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▶ Terry Nichols is found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Nichols is spared a federal death sentence in January 1998, but still faces Oklahoma state charges.

▶ UFO enthusiasts gather in Roswell, New Mexico, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the alleged UFO crash there in July 1947.



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flash

The all-male Promise Keepers movement inspires praise and controversy for its message of spiritual revival and personal responsibility for men. In October, the group holds a giant rally in Washington, D.C.

Once-secret tape recordings of former presidents Kennedy and Nixon are released publicly. The tapes provide an unvarnished, and sometimes unflattering, glimpse into the two presidents' actions and conversations in the White House.



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▶ On October 25, at least 300,000 African-American women gather in Philadelphia for the Million Woman March. Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is one of the speakers.



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▶ Fast-food giant Burger King is forced to stop serving burgers when supplier Hudson Foods recalls 25 million pounds of hamburger suspected of contamination with *E. coli* bacteria. It is the biggest beef recall in U.S. history.

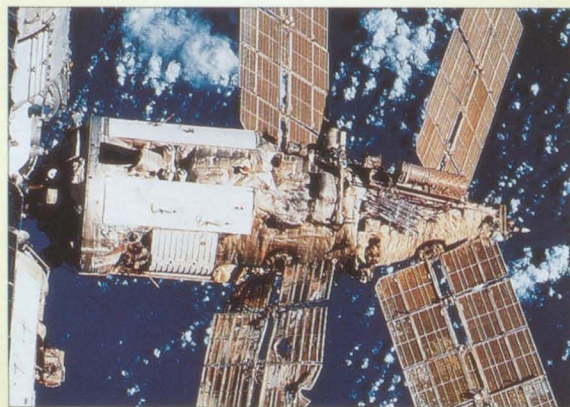
Science news



NASA

Viewers worldwide see the first-ever high-resolution color pictures of Mars when the *Pathfinder* spacecraft lands July 4. The lander and its rover, Sojourner, collect and transmit extraordinary data for three months.

Russia's aging *Mir* space station collides with an unmanned supply vehicle in June and is seriously damaged. This is only one in a series of crises casting doubt on the viability of the station.



NASA



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In September, CAT scans of petrified dinosaur eggs found in China reveal a dinosaur embryo.



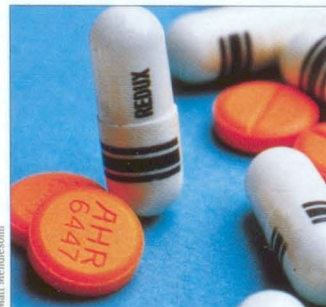
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Scottish scientists in February 1997 announce the world's first cloning of an adult mammal. The sheep, named Dolly, fuels controversy over possible misuse of the technology.



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Research produces medical breakthroughs, including a genetically engineered "bullet" molecule being tested to fight cancer and new drugs to control or prevent Parkinson's disease, osteoporosis and congestive heart failure.



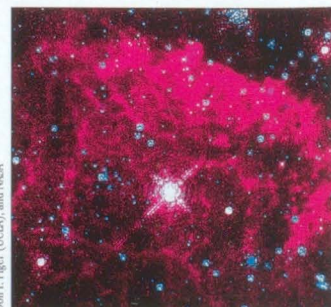
Mari Mendicino

The popular diet regimen fen-phen is pulled off the market in September. The combination of fenfluramine and phentermine is shown to cause heart valve disorders, as is the diet drug Redux, also recalled.

flash

Fuel cells that convert a fuel's energy directly into electricity are being developed for use in cars, making possible an efficient, low-emission car of the future.

The first prescription pill for male-pattern baldness is approved by the Food and Drug Administration in December. The drug Propecia is made by Merck and Company.



Don E. Figer (UCLA), and NASA

Aided by the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers discover the Pistol Star—the brightest star yet observed in the Milky Way. The Pistol Star is 25,000 light years from Earth.

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For \$8.36 million, Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History buys "Sue," the most complete *Tyrannosaurus rex* fossil yet discovered. The sale occurs October 4 at Sotheby's in New York.

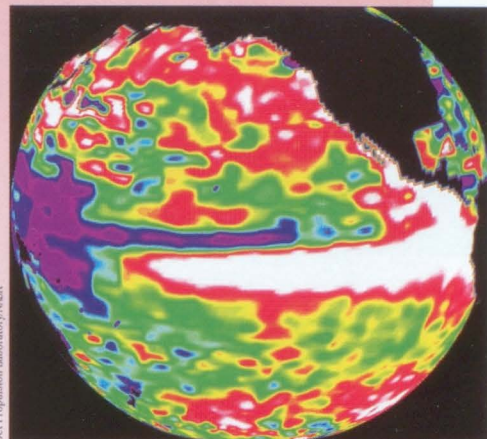
▶ Comet Hale-Bopp captures imaginations worldwide as it streaks past Earth for the first time in 4,200 years—or, since 2203 B.C. Hale-Bopp next returns in 4397.

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▶ On October 13, the British jet car *Thrust SSC* becomes the first vehicle to break the sound barrier on land, traveling 766.6 miles per hour in the Nevada desert.

Jet Propulsion Laboratory/NASA



▶ El Niño stirs up global weather patterns. Caused by warmer-than-normal water temperatures in the equatorial Pacific, the '97 El Niño is blamed for storms and weather problems worldwide.



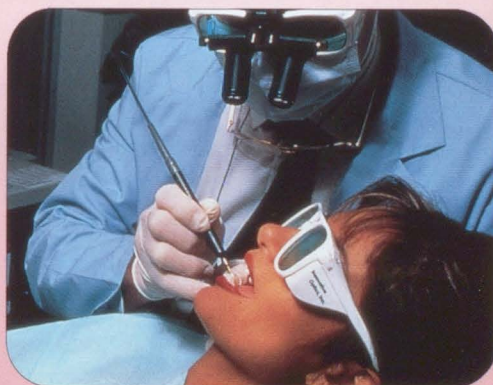
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▶ In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a climate treaty to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gases.



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▶ The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.

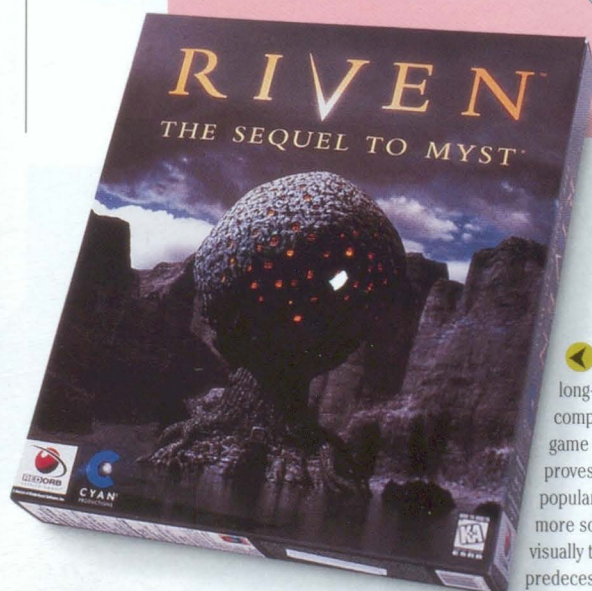


Premier Laser Systems, Inc.



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▶ Protesters unsuccessfully attempt to prevent the October launch of NASA's *Cassini* spacecraft to Saturn, fearing an accident could shower the Earth with the rocket's radioactive plutonium.



▶ Riven, the long-awaited computer adventure game sequel to *Myst*, proves to be just as popular and even more sophisticated visually than its predecessor.

flash

Hong Kong authorities in December order the slaughter of more than a million chickens in an effort to halt the spread of a bird flu virus that killed six people.

The space shuttle *Columbia* releases the errant *Spartan* satellite in November. U.S. astronaut Winston Scott and Takao Doi, the first Japanese astronaut to do a space walk, retrieve the satellite for return to Earth.

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▶ French oceanographer and award-winning filmmaker Jacques Cousteau dies in June at 87. His work gained renown through the popular television series "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau."

Lifestyle NEWS



Teen People, a savvy monthly magazine for and about teenagers, premieres in February 1998.



Fashion advertising and clothing trends inspire the popularity of the color orange, which replaces neon green as the fad color of the year.



In October, a cyberfashion show at the M.I.T. Media Lab Wearable Symposium features fashions with built-in computer devices and electronic hardware. M.I.T. students designed the high-tech fashions.



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Fashion looks to the Far East. The stick-on bindi, a tiny decorative accent worn in the middle of the forehead, is popularized by Gwen Stefani, lead singer of the band No Doubt.



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Princess Diana tribute merchandise abounds, including a double CD set and a new Beanie Baby named Princess, a royal purple bear adorned with a rose. Profits benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.

flash

Nike introduces a new "I Can" advertising campaign on New Year's Day. The company does not plan to abandon its "Just Do It" slogan, introduced in 1985, which will continue to appear on T-shirts and posters.

Diet Scent Patches are introduced in June by Slimline, a British company. Designed to help people diet successfully, the small arm stickers produce an unpleasant odor to discourage the wearer from eating sweets.



"Two Fat Ladies" becomes the Food Network's hottest new cooking show in the U.S., attracting fans with its unconventional British stars, two overweight, middle-aged women.



Platform shoes, a fashion statement during the disco '70s, make a style comeback in a big way in 1997, inspiring even platform sneakers.

This year's look in cosmetics is glimmering, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave, cosmetics giant Christian Dior introduces Mascara Flash, temporary hair color in a variety of outrageous tints.

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Christian Dior

- ▶ The Chevrolet Corvette is named *Motor Trend* magazine's 1998 Car of the Year.

General Motors



- ▶ A new \$50 bill featuring a larger, off-center portrait of President Ulysses S. Grant is unveiled in October. Design details make the bill more difficult to forge.



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Softer Hairstyle

Smaller Chest

Larger Waist

Smaller Hips



- ▶ After nearly 40 years, Mattel's Barbie doll takes on a more realistic face and body shape than the Barbie of the '60s. The new doll will begin to appear in stores in early 1998.



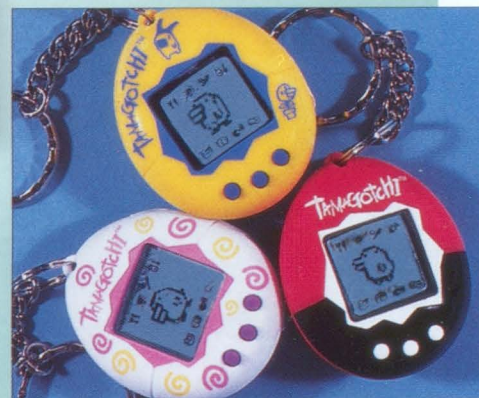
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- ▶ Mattel introduces Share a Smile Becky in May 1997. Seated in a bright pink wheelchair, the doll is marketed as a friend to the traditional Barbie.



Karl Steinbrenner

- ▶ Mehndi, intricate designs painted on the body with henna dye, is a popular expression of the fashion trend toward Eastern themes and patterns.



- ▶ Digital "pets" are a 1997 toy craze. These virtual critters keep their owners busy by beeping when they need care or feeding. If ignored, they "die."

flash

As many as 700 school districts nationwide teach "emotional intelligence," aiming to develop children's values and people skills as well as their minds.

Beepers are a status symbol and a lifestyle must-have for many teens juggling school, jobs and after-school activities. More than 40 million beepers are carried in the U.S., an estimated 25 percent of them by people between the ages of 12 and 24. In some schools, beepers are forbidden as disruptive.



- ▶ Canada issues a Superhero postage stamp series that includes a 45-cent stamp featuring the colorful, comic-book image of Superman.



Popular board games appear on CD-ROM in ever-growing numbers, including interactive favorites Monopoly, Scrabble, Sorry, Risk and Boggle.

Entertainment news

ABC from the Kobal Collection



- ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.

- The *Lost World*, Steven Spielberg's *Jurassic Park* sequel, breaks summer box-office records everywhere. It earns \$229 million in the U.S.



Universal Studios, Inc., from Shooting Star



Gino Mifsud, Shooting Star

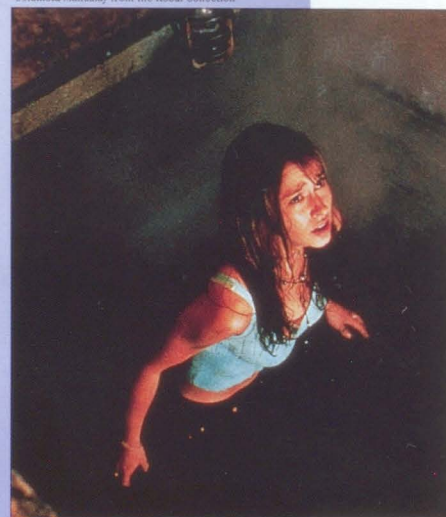
- Jerry Seinfeld, creator and star of the NBC hit "Seinfeld," announces in December that the 1997-1998 season is the show's last. The final episode airs in May, ending the popular show's nine-year run.



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- Comedian Chris Farley dies at 33 of a drug overdose on December 18. He starred in NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and movies including *Tommy Boy* and *Beverly Hills Ninja*.

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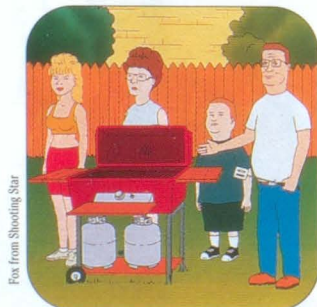


- Horror films draw teenagers to the box office. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Sarah Michelle Gellar, is one of the year's biggest attractions.

flash

In its second season, the WB's campy sitcom "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" blossoms into a huge favorite with many viewers.

Jenny McCarthy stars in a new fall NBC comedy "Jenny" that, in January 1998, goes into hiatus only a few months into its first season. McCarthy had been an MTV personality before moving to the network.



Fox from Shooting Star

- Fox network launches "King of the Hill," an animated show that focuses on the lives of a propane dealer from Texas and his family. The show goes on to become a smash hit.



Dimension Films from the Kobal Collection

- Scream 2*, the chilling hit sequel to *Scream*, is a wildly successful mix of carnage and comedy starring Neve Campbell, Jerry O'Connell, Tori Spelling, Jada Pinkett and a host of other stars.



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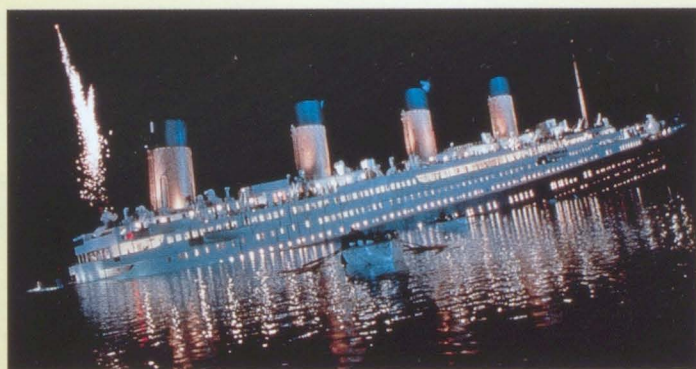
- Critically acclaimed *Amistad*, directed by Steven Spielberg, tells the story of an 1839 slave ship mutiny. The film culminates years of effort by producer Debbie Allen to bring the story to life.

Religion is a common theme on eight fall-season network TV shows inspired by the success of CBS's "Touched by an Angel" starring Roma Downey, Della Reese and John Dye. New programs include ABC's "Nothing Sacred" and "Teen Angel."

CBS Entertainment from Shooting Star



Titanic is a huge critical and box-office success. The movie event of the year, this \$200 million picture is the most costly in history. After 45 days in the theaters, *Titanic* had earned \$308 million.



Fox/Paramount from Shooting Star

AP/Wide World



Star Wars captures a new generation of fans when George Lucas re-releases the film trilogy 20 years after the first film was shown. In Washington, D.C., the National Air and Space Museum mounts a huge exhibition of now-historic *Star Wars* artifacts.



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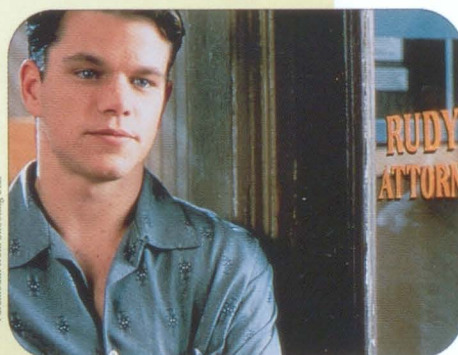
Michael Flatley's pulsating show "Lord of the Dance" fuels the extraordinary popularity of Irish dance. The show tours 15 cities in the U.S. through October.

In the fall, Fox debuts "Ally McBeal," a comedy/drama starring Calista Flockhart as a young Boston attorney. The show captures a Golden Globe Award in January 1998 for best series/musical or comedy.



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Matt Damon stars as an attorney in *The Rainmaker*, a movie based on the John Grisham novel. Damon's successes also include the film *Good Will Hunting*.



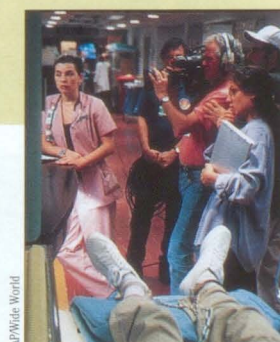
Columbia TriStar from Shooting Star

Summer blockbuster *Men in Black* grosses more than \$500 million worldwide to become 1997's biggest hit. The sci-fi comedy stars Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.

flash

The Wonderful World of Disney presents its adaptation of "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella" on ABC, starring Brandy as Cinderella and Whitney Houston as the Fairy Godmother.

Tomorrow Never Dies, starring Pierce Brosnan as 007, is a holiday box-office hit and confirms the enduring popularity of James Bond movies.



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The 1997 season premiere episode of "ER" is broadcast live and draws 42.7 million viewers for NBC, including those who watch it on a giant screen in Times Square.

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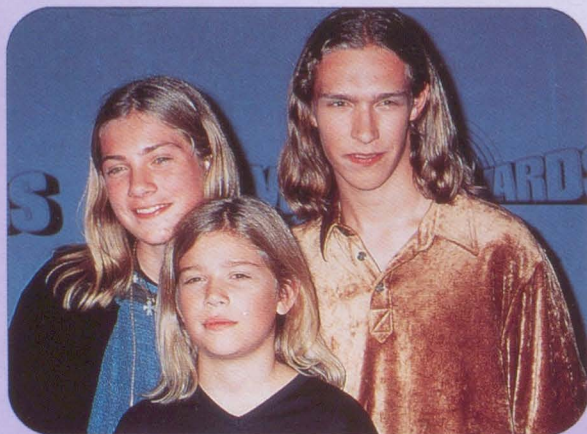


- Chumbawamba's hit single "Tubthumping" brings long-awaited success to this British band. The song becomes popular at pro sports events, kicking off games for several teams.

- Fiona Apple, 20, one of rock's female superstars, is named MTV's Best New Artist in a Video. Her single "Criminal" soars to the top of the charts.



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- With their hit single "MMMBop," three young brothers from Tulsa become one of the biggest breakthrough acts of 1997 as the band Hanson.

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- Rap artist the Notorious B.I.G. is killed in a March 1997 drive-by shooting in Los Angeles. He is posthumously awarded MTV's 1997 Best Rap Video Award for "Hypnotize" and is named *Spin* magazine's Artist of the Year.



Jay Blakesberg, Retna

- Lilith Fair, an all-female summer rock concert, draws large crowds on its 37-stop tour. Canadian singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan masterminds the festival and releases a hit album, *Surfacing*.

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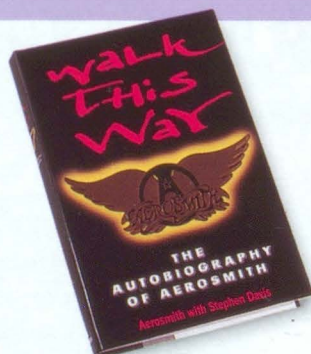
Drummer Bill Berry leaves R.E.M. after 17 years with the popular rock group. R.E.M. plans to continue as a trio.

Kenny G. enters the *Guinness Book of World Records* for holding the longest musical note—45 minutes, 47 seconds—on his saxophone.

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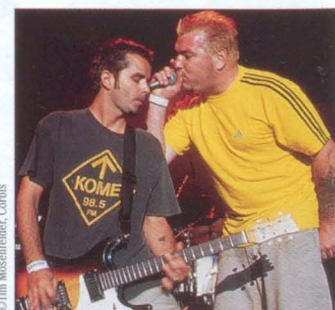


- Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases *Sevens*, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.



- Walk This Way: The Autobiography of Aerosmith* chronicles the long career of the band notorious for its excesses in the '70s and '80s. The group's new album *Nine Lives* is nominated for a 1998 Grammy.

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- Smash Mouth popularizes a genre of alternative rock known as neo-ska with its hit single "Walkin' on the Sun" and debut album *Fush Yu Mang*.

British pop phenomenon, the Spice Girls, makes millions with mega-hits such as "Wannabe" and sells 14 million albums and 10 million singles.

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Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys engineers the second Tibetan Freedom Concert, held in June in New York, offering 27 music acts and a free-Tibet political message.



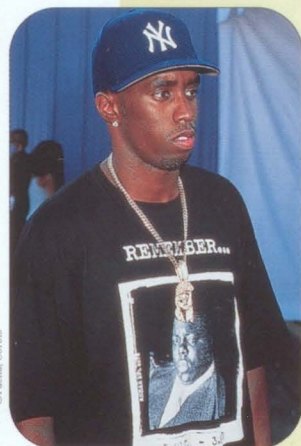
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Third Eye Blind, after several years in San Francisco's underground music scene, goes big time in 1997. Their song "Semi-Charmed Life" is listed as the top-selling modern rock single for 1997 in *Billboard* magazine.

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At 15, country music sensation LeAnn Rimes sells more than 12.5 million recordings in the U.S. in 1997 and is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Year. Her single "How Do I Live" is one of the year's best sellers.



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The album *No Way Out* by Puff Daddy & the Family goes multiplatinum. Puffy's single "I'll Be Missing You," an elegy to his friend the Notorious B.I.G., also tops the charts.

Sixteen-year-old R&B phenom Jonny Lang opens for the Rolling Stones' fall tour and spends 16 weeks at No. 1 on *Billboard*'s blues chart with his album *Lie to Me*.

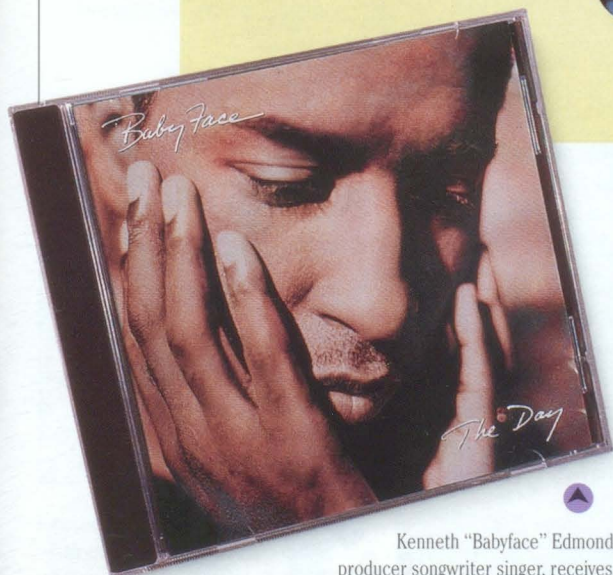


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flash

Metallica releases a seventh album, *Re-Load*, that confirms its position as the premier heavy-metal band in the music world.

Radiohead is *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year. Critics praise Radiohead's album *OK Computer*, variously described as haunting, revolting, inscrutable, stunning and gorgeous. The album receives a 1998 Grammy nomination for Rock/Pop Album of the Year.



Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, superstar producer songwriter singer, receives more 1998 Grammy nominations than any other artist, including one for his album *The Day*. Edmonds and wife Tracey also produce the film *Soul Food* in 1997.

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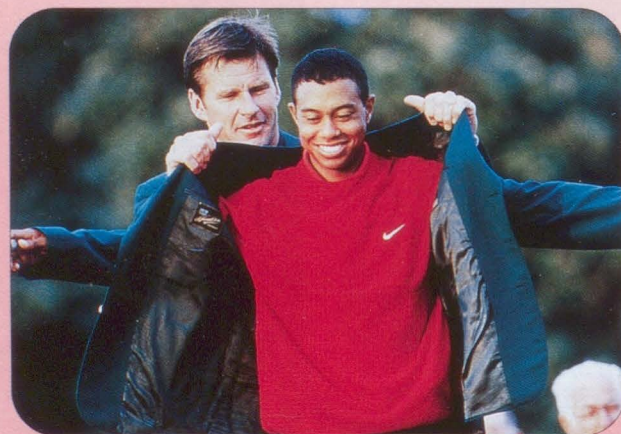
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- ▶ In July, 16-year-old Swiss tennis star Martina Hingis becomes the youngest Wimbledon champion since 1887. Hingis wins three of the four 1997 Grand Slam events.

- ▶ Quarterback John Elway leads the Denver Broncos to a 31-24 victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego, January 25, 1998. It is Elway's first Super Bowl win in four appearances.



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- ▶ Tiger Woods, 21, becomes the youngest golfer ever to win the Masters Tournament. His 18-under-par score sets a Masters record. Woods wins 3 other tournaments and sets a PGA Tour earnings record of \$2.1 million for the season.

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Swedish golfing phenomenon Annika Sorenstam, 26, tops the LPGA earnings list in 1997 with a record \$1,236,789.

Professional sports salaries keep skyrocketing. One of the most publicized of 1997 is Kevin Garnett's \$126 million contract to play basketball for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

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- ▶ The Florida Marlins are baseball's 1997 World Series champs and the first team ever to win the Series without winning its league pennant. The Marlins defeat the Cleveland Indians in seven games.



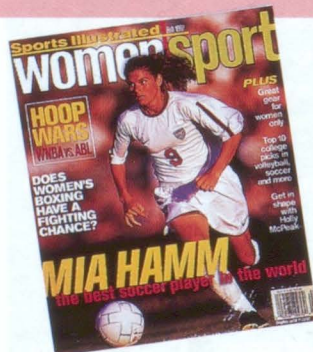
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- ▶ Mike Tyson bites off part of Evander Holyfield's ear and is disqualified in the WBA Heavyweight rematch in June 1997. Tyson is fined nearly \$3 million and his boxing license is revoked.

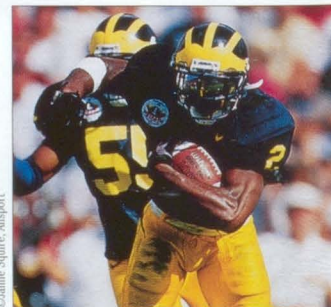


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- ▶ Pittsburgh Penguins' Mario Lemieux retires in April 1997 after a spectacular comeback from Hodgkin's disease and injury. Lemieux is elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in September.



- ▶ In April 1997, the premier issue of *Sports Illustrated Women's* hits the newsstands. The magazine reflects the explosive growth of female participation in sports.



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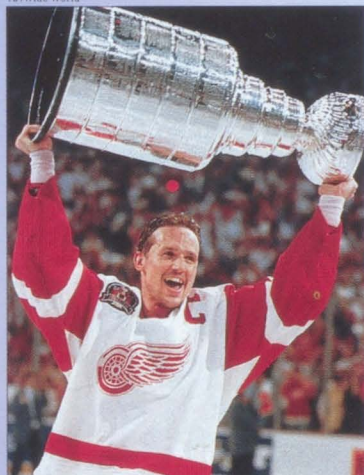
- ▶ Charles Woodson, Michigan's versatile junior cornerback, becomes the first primarily defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy, awarded in December.

- ▶ Jeff Gordon, at 26, wins the 1997 NASCAR Winston Cup, his second Winston Cup point title in three years. Gordon's 1997 points total 4,710.

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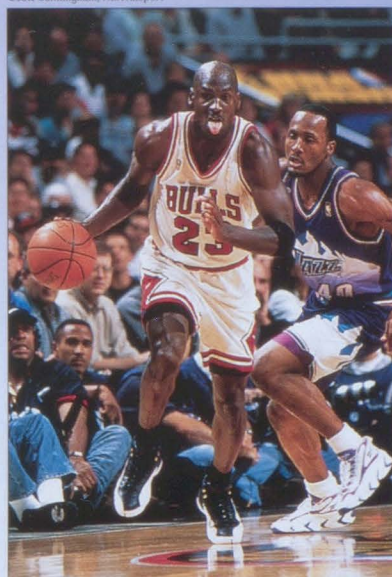
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▶ Detroit Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman powers his team to the 1997 Stanley Cup championship, its first in 42 years, by sweeping the Philadelphia Flyers in four games.

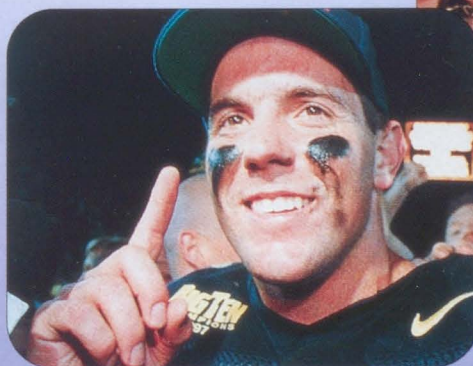
- ▶ The Chicago Bulls beat the Utah Jazz in June 1997 for their fifth NBA championship in seven years. Michael Jordan is chosen Finals MVP a record fifth time.

Scott Cunningham, NBA/Allsport



- ▶ When the college football season ends, two teams share the national championship. Michigan (12-0) is named No. 1 by the sports writers' poll, and Nebraska (13-0) by the coaches' poll.

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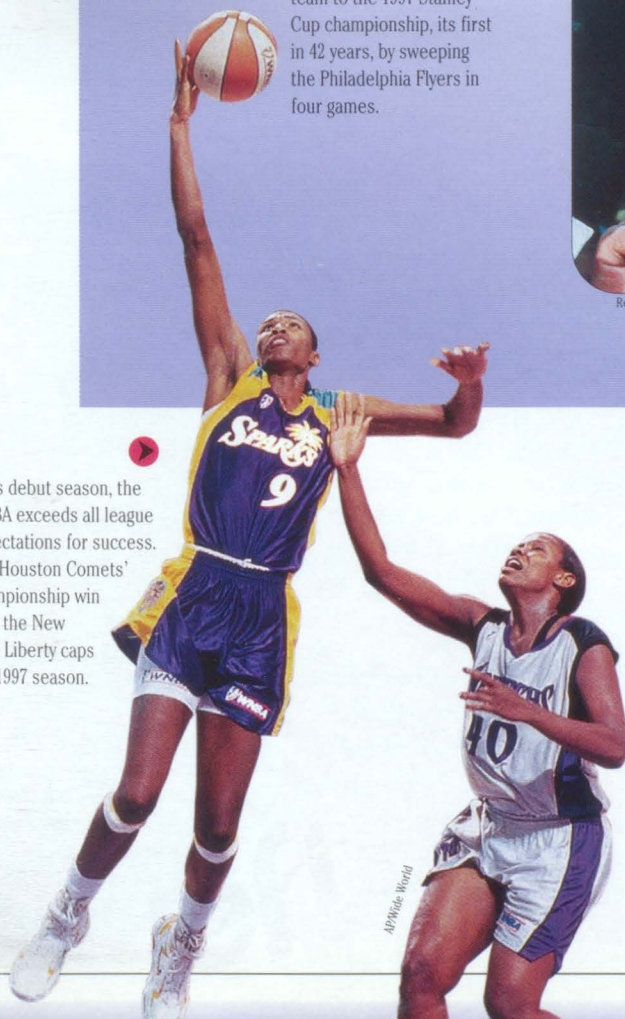
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Women officiate in an all-male professional sports league for the first time. The pioneers, Dee Kanter and Violet Palmer, are referees in the NBA.

Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, slams 52 homers in 1996 and 58 in 1997. McGwire becomes only the second player in baseball history with back-to-back, 50-home-run seasons, the other being Babe Ruth.

▶ In its debut season, the WNBA exceeds all league expectations for success. The Houston Comets' championship win over the New York Liberty caps the 1997 season.



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- ▶ Dean Smith, winningest coach in college basketball history, retires in October after 36 seasons at North Carolina. *Sports Illustrated* names him 1997 Sportsman of the Year.

Faces news



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- Miss Illinois, Katherine Shindle, is crowned Miss America 1998. For the first time in its 77-year history the pageant allows contestants to wear two-piece swimsuits in competition.



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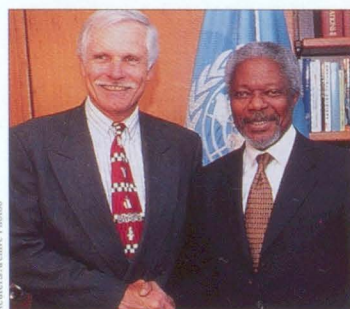


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- American Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines are awarded the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize in October. The U.S. and China refuse to sign an international treaty that would ban land mines.



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- Ted Turner, vice chairman of the Time Warner media empire, pledges \$1 billion to United Nations programs. It is the largest single gift in philanthropic history.

Shooting Star



- Beloved actor Jimmy Stewart dies in July at 89. Stewart's enduring nice-guy popularity is exemplified by *It's a Wonderful Life*, his 1946 movie that is now an American cultural icon.



J.T. MacMillan, San Diego Union-Tribune

- For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats Russian Garry Kasparov in a six-game match in May 1997.

- Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies September 5 at the age of 87. Revered for a lifetime of helping the poorest of the poor, her many honors include the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize.

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Former leader of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev films a TV commercial for Pizza Hut. He reportedly earns \$1 million for the appearance, money he plans to use to benefit his Gorbachev Foundation.

Singer John Denver dies in October at 53 when the experimental plane he is piloting crashes into California's Monterey Bay.



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- Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, appears in ads as a spokesperson for Weight Watchers International. She is the former wife of England's Prince Andrew.



